# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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**MASSACHUSETTS** 

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# Report of Board of Selectmen

## ANNUAL MARCH MEETING

At the annual town meeting held March 6th, 1926, the following officers were chosen and business transacted, viz.:

Officers elected:-

Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes—Henry S. Everson for 1 year.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor—Walter H. Faunce for 1 year, George E. Fogg for 1 year, Albert H. Holmes for 1 year.

Auditor-George E. Cushman for 1 year.

Assessor—John R. Monks for 3 years.

Water Commissioner-Clinton T. Keith for 3 years.

Highway Surveyor-Warren S. Nickerson for 1 year.

Constables—Louis F. Bartz for 1 year, Howard L. Rushton for 1 year.

School Committee—Ruth H. Bailey for 3 years, Jacob H. Dries for 3 years.

Trustees of Public Library—Henry L. Barker for 3 years, Harvey A. Soule for 3 years.

Tree Warden-Charles H. Childs for 1 year.

Meeting adjourned at 3.30 P. M., until Saturday, March 13th, 1926, at 1.30 P. M., when the following business was transacted.

Offices were filled by nomination as follows. Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Pound Keeper-Charles E. Lowe.

Field Driver-Thomas Kelliher.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Fred G. Brackett, Edgar W. Loring. Fence Viewers—Roland Bailey, George E. Cushman. Fish Committee—Edward E. Bird, George E. Cushman, Arthur B. Holmes.

Voted, to accept the report of Town Officers, except the report of the Water Commissioners, Assessors' report, and report of Treasurer.

Voted, to authorize the Treasurer to borrow money with the approval of a majority of the Board of Selectmen in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from receipt of taxes for the current year.

Voted, to appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Farm Bureau and chose Horace Holmes as representative of said Bureau.

\$40,000 00

1.000 00

Voted the following appropriations:

For Schools.

	3	\$40,000 O
For	Highway,	12,000 00
For	Water,	6,750 00
For	Poor,	5,000 00
For	State Aid,	700 00
	Crime,	1,500 00
For	Moth,	1.000 00
For	Street Lighting,	2,000 00
	Public Library,	1,300 00
	Treasurer and Collector,	1,200 00
	Fire Department,	2,250 00
	Town House,	500 00
	Tree Warden,	100 00
	Contingent,	4,000 00
	Forest Fires,	400 00
	Town Green,	100 00
For	Town Survey,	1,500 00
For	Memorial Day,	200,00
	Bonds, Notes and Interest,	14,000 00
	American Legion,	300 00
	Removal of Snow,	2,500 00
	Highway Howland's Lane,	2,000 00

For Highway Crescent and Prospect Streets,

For Highway River Street,	500 00
For Sidewalks,	500 00
For Town House Chairs,	150 00
For Water Department Home Park,	350 00
For Kingston Anniversary,	5,000 00

Voted, that the Town accept aid from State and County for rebuilding of Main Street and Wapping Road.

On report of committee appointed at the annual meeting in 1925 in regard to additional school facilities.

Voted, that the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations be adopted.

Voted, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of building an addition to the Kingston High School building such addition to increase the floor space of said building and for the original equipment and furnishing of such addition and that to meet said appropriation there be raised in the levey of the current year the sum of \$1,000.00 and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorizd to borrow the sum of \$34,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor for said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine, two thirds vote taken-Yes 93. No. 23.

On petition of Edgar W. and Waldo F. Loring it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Highway work on River Street.

Voted, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the removal of snow.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated to resurface a section of Howland's Lane.

Voted, that the sum of \$1,000 be appropriated to resurface Crescent Street and Prospect Hill.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to report at some future meeting on the advisability of renaming certain streets in the town.

Voted, that the amount of \$5,000 be appropriated for the observance of the two hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Kingston, Massachusetts and that the Executive Committee elected and appointed for said observance be and hereby is authorized and empowered to expend the said sum of \$5,000 or any portion thereof that may be necessary for said observance.

Voted, the Executive Committee elected and appointed for the observance of the two hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Kingston, Massachusetts, be and hereby is authorized and directed to accept for and in the name of the Town of Kingston, Massachusetts any gift or gifts to the Town in connection with the two hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of said Town.

Voted, that the sum of \$500 be appropriated to defray the expense of putting in sidewalks and curbs for the ensuing year to be expended at the discretion of the Selectmen.

Voted, that the Town accept the sidewalk act.

Voted, that the Water Department be instructed to connect the drinking trough at Tura Bros. store with the water main, that the grade shall meet the approval of the Highway Surveyor.

Voted, that the Town accept revised By-Laws as drawn up and submitted by the Selectmen.

Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$350 for the purpose of laying about 400 feet of two inch water pipe at Thomas Street. Home Park so called, provided a satisfactory agreement can be made with the owners of the land and provided a satisfactory income on the cost is guaranteed.

Voted, that the pay of the firemen be increased to one dollar per hour for the first hour of service at fires.

In regard to the agreement with Waldo F. and Edgar W. Loring the ruling of the Moderator that the vote taken at the annual town meeting 1925, the petition and agreement were accepted as one.

Voted, to sustain the above ruling.

Voted, that the Board of Assessors be authorized to appoint one Assistant Assessor if in their opinion it becomes necessary.

Voted, that there be appropriated the sum of \$250 to cover expense of Fire Department.

The Town Reports show an unexpended balance of \$1,255.83 remaining from the proceeds of notes issued in 1925 for Water Department purposes.

Voted, that the sum of \$1,255.83 be appropriated for

the purpose of cleaning water pipes internally.

Voted, that the High School Building Committee shall consist of five members to be appointed by the Moderator, two citizens, two members of the School Committee and Superintendent of Schools.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to serve in the erection of the school house addition: Luke S. White, Charles W. Leach, Henry T. Sturtevant, Harold G. Kite and John H. Parker.

On the committee to consider the renaming of streets: Emily Drew, Sarah Y. Bailey and Albert E. Holmes.

Voted, that in the future cases of removal of snow no order will be paid or drawn except for work authorized by the Selectmen, Highway Surveyor or any parties he may appoint.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD APRIL 5, 1926

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in town affairs.

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Voted, that the report of the committee appointed for Kingston's 200th anniversary be accepted.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,015.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the purchase of a tractor with equipment for scarifying and road grading with special blade for snow work.

Voted, that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for the purpose of building highway fences.

Voted, that the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to sell by public auction or otherwise the Silver Lake School building and lot on which it stands.

Voted, that the committee submitted by Mr. Bailey be given full power to carry out the plans for the two hundreth anniversary.

The ruling of the Moderator that the vote taken at the Annual Town Meeting authorizing the Assessors to appoint an Assistant Assessor was illegal.

Voted, that the Town allot the sum of \$6,000 from the regular highway appropriation to be used with a like amount from the State in the rebuilding of Main Street and Wapping Road.

Voted, that the salary of the Assessors be \$5 per day, that a sum not to exceed \$200 be appropriated and the present three Assessors be authorized to employ assistance.

Adjourned at 8.45 P. M.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, HELD JUNE 25TH, 1926

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, thirty voters present.

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Voted, that the Town approve the straightening of Wapping Road in accordance with survey and decree of the County Commissioners.

No action taken on Article 3.

Adjourned at 8.45 P. M.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD JULY 14TH, 1926

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs.

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Voted, that there be appropriated the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of the Town, said sum to be in addition to the amount previously appropriated for the use of the Two Hundredth Anniversary Observance Committee and to meet said appropriation there be applied the money returned to the Town from the sale of Badges and from other sources the balance if any to be taken from the free cash in the treasury.

Voted, that the streets of the town be named and renamed by the erection of proper signs or guideboards previous to the August celebration in accordance with a report submitted by the committee appointed for that purpose and that the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated therefor, said sum to be expended by said committee.

Voted, that the sum of \$350 be appropriated for the Water Department in addition to the previous appropriation to be used at the discretion of the Water Commissioners for the extension of the water main on Wapping Road or for other purposes if needed.

Fifty-five voters present. Adjourned at 9 P. M.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, HELD SEPT. 28, 1926

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs.

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Voted, to transfer from surplus revenue to revenue \$850 previously appropriated but not reported to the Assessors to be raised.

Voted, the sum of \$755.90 be appropriated to cover the Plymouth County Hospital assessment.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated for the Poor Department from surplus revenue.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated for Contingent Account from surplus revenue.

Voted, that the sum of \$200 be appropriated for Forest Fire Account from surplus revenue.

Voted, that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for Snew removal from surplus revenue.

Voted, that the sum of \$225 be appropriated for Public Library from surplus revenue.

Voted, that the \$1,147 now credited to the Trucking Account be transferred to the Highway Account.

Voted, that the Town hereby accept Section 55 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws thereby authorizing the Selectmen to appoint a town accountant.

Voted, that the Selectmen be and are hereby instructed to use a portion of the amount appropriated for the Contingent Account for the purpose of printing and distributing forthwith to all the voters of the Town the report on the financial condition of the Town and the accounting system as recently made by the Director of Accounts, Department of Corporation and Taxation and as required by Chapter 44, Section 40 of the General Laws.

Voted, that the dedication of memorial to the World War Veterans be left in the hands of the present committee.

Fifty-five voters present. Adjourned 8.45 P. M. HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD OCT, 21, 1926
Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote
in Town affairs.

Harold J. Weston, chosen Moderator.

Voted, that the sum of \$8,000 be appropriated from

surplus revenue for the extending water main on Wapping Road including a six-inch pipe from Tura's store to the end of proposed extension. Fifty voted in the affirmative.

Agreement

I hereby agree if the said pipe is laid that I will pay 6% interest on the cost of installation not to exceed \$1,500, said interest to be paid semi-annually until such time as the regular water rate collected from said laying shall equal 6% any and all water rates collected from said Wapping Road extension shall apply to the credit of said payment and when the said rates shall equal the 6% this agreement shall be void.

NELSON CORAZZARI.

October 21, 1926.

Voted, not to extend drainage pipe on May Avenue. Voted, to appropriate the sum of \$230 for the Moth Department.

Fifty-seven voters present. Adjourned 9.45 P. M.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOV. 8, 1926

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs. Seventy-seven voters present.

Harold J. Weston, chosen Moderator.

Voted, that vote at special town meeting, Oct. 21, 1926 against Article 2 of the Warrant be rescinded.

Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,100 from surplus revenue for the extension of water main on Wapping Road with same agreement as agreed upon at special meeting Oct. 21, 1926.

Voted, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,700 from surplus revenue to defray land damages occasioned in connection with straightening and widening of

Wapping Road as directed by the County Commissioners, Adjourned 9 p. m.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DEC. 15, 1926

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Then met the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs.

Harold J. Weston chosen Moderator.

Voted, that the town accept Section 16. Chapter 39, as amended by Chapter 388. Acts of 1923, to provide for the appointment and duties of an Appropriation or Finance Committee.

Voted, that the town acting under the permission contained in Section 55, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, as amended, accepted by the Town on September 28, 1926, abolish the office of Town Auditor.

Voted, that the Town petition the Director of Accounts of the Commonwealth to make an audit of the accounts of the Town if possible by February first of each year commencing in the year 1927.

By-Law

Whereas the Town having adopted Section 16, Chapter 39, as amended by Chapter 388, Acts of 1923, to provide for the appointment and duties of an Appropriation or Finance Committee it is now moved that the following By-Law be adopted:

There shall be nine members constituting the Finance Committee, the members shall be appointed by the Moderator when the Committee is first constituted. Three shall be appointed for three years, three shall be appointed for two years, and three shall be appointed for one year each.

At each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator shall appoint three members for a term of three years each.

The members shall serve without compensation.

#### Vacancies

Whenever any vacancies shall occur in said Committee by resignation, removal from Town, death, failing to qualify, or otherwise, said vacancy shall be filled by said committee and if any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of said Committee, except in case of illness, said Comittee shall consider his position vacant and shall proceed to fill the same.

The term of office of all persons chosen as aforesaid to fill vacancies shall expire at the close of the final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting next succeeding such vacancy and at said Annual Town Meeting the Moderator thereof shall appoint a successor to fill out the unexpired term of each member whose office has been so vacated in the same manner as the original appointment.

The duties of the Finance Committee will be to consider and report upon all requests for appropriations made by the different departments and make such recommendations for action at the Town Meeting as they deem for the best interests of the Town.

They also shall consider all matters which involve municipal questions or policies and make recommendations as to these to the Town Meetings.

The Selectmen after drawing any warrant for a Town . Meeting shall transmit immediately a copy thereof to each member of the Finance Committe and said Committee shall consider all such articles.

Adjourned at 9 p. m.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Town Clerk.

## SELECTMEN, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, BOARD OF HEALTH

At the Annual Town Meeting March 6, 1926, you elected to these offices: Walter H. Faunce, George E. Fogg, Albert H. Holmes. They met at the Town Office Tuesday evening, Jan. 9, 1926, and organized as follows: Walter H. Faunce, Chairman of Selectmen; George E. Fogg, Chairman of Overseers of Poor; Albert H. Holmes, Chairman of Board of Health.

These boards have met at the Town Office Tuesday evening of each week with frequent special meetings in addition.

### STATE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

In accordance with a vote of the Town something over two years ago the Selectmen petitioned the State Director of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxatjons, to make an audit of our Town finances and accounts and transfer our accounting to the uniform State Accounting System which is now quite generally in use by Towns throughout the State.

Due to the vast amount of work ahead of them they were very much delayed in coming to Kingston. The examiners arrived July 12, 1926 and immediately took over the accounts of the Town, making a complete audit of all departments over a period of years. The audit completed, our system of accounting was discontinued and the State system established as of January 1, 1926.

A detailed report of the audit as later submitted by Theodore N. Waddell, Director of Accounts, was printed in full and distributed throughout the Town last October.

The new system necessitated a Town Accountant entirely independent of the Treasurer. At a special town

meeting September 28, 1926 the Town authorized the Selectmen to appoint a Town Accountant and Roland Bailey was appointed to that office. Prior to the appointment Mr. Bailey demonstrated his ability to handle this work by acting as bookkeeper under the State system from the time the State auditors commenced to cut over our books, until he was officially appointed Town Accountant. Changing systems is always confusing and at times very trying but we feel Mr. Bailey has "weathered the storm" and has his accounts in very satisfactory order.

## STREET LIGHTING

Four new lights have been installed this year on Brook Street at an annual rental of \$19 per light. We now have a total of \$1 street lights at an annual rental of \$19 each and the 3 100-watt lights at the triangle on Pawtuxet Hill at \$23.00 per light. More lights could be installed to the advantage of many people provided the Town sees fit to authorize the annual expenditure

## MOTH DEPARTMENT

The usual amount of work toward the suppression of moths has been done the past year under the direction of Supt. Charles E. Childs. The activities of this department are largely dictated by the State. We believe Mr. Childs has carried on the work to the complete satisfaction of all.

#### TOWN HOUSE

The amount appropriated the past two years has just about taken care of the actual operating expenses of the building, leaving nothing for repairs or incidental equipment, both of which it is sadly in need.

To put the building in fair condition would necessitate an extra appropriation for carpenter work, painting and incidental items such as piping, electric fixtures, fire extinguishers, etc., of not less than \$2,000.00.

#### BOARD OF HEALTH

We have been extremely fortunate this past year as regards contagious diseases. There have been fewer cases than for a number of years, and more of them developed seriously. We cannot refrain from calling your attention to the fact that this splendid showing is due to a very large degree to the co-operation of our local doctors and to Miss Mange, the school nurse, in reporting all cases immediately, thus giving this Board an opportunity to function prior to the disease spreading beyond control.

There are each year certain very unpleasant duties in connection with the department. The past year has proven particularly so as regards the Town Dump.

Some three years ago we prevailed upon Mr. Henry L. Barker to permit the use of his land for the purpose. In many ways the location is ideal. It is convenient to most of the townspeople, being just off the State Highway, opposite Prouty's Garage to the West, and served by a very fair roadway into the "pit." but unfortunately there are a few who persist in abusing the privilege accorded the Town by Mr. Barker by dumping their refuse

in the roadway instead of over the edge of the bank into the hollow, making it necessary for the Town to go to a considerable expense in removing it from the roadway and in the meantime making it difficult for those trying to do what is right to get near enough to the edge of the bank to throw their load over into the hollow without taking great chances of damaging their tires. If those using the dump would just make it a point to see that all their load went over the bank before leaving, particularly if there is any glass or other things like to damage a tire or hurt a horse, it will be greatly appreciated. It will not only save the Town a lot of money to have it done from time to time but we hope will result in Mr. Barker continuing to permit its use for the purpose.

If the privilege continues to be abused there is no question but what we will have to look elsewhere for these facilities and from past experiences we assure you it will be some job and probably mean more of a haul in addition to a big expense to establish it. Won't you all please help?

One more extremely important matter concerning the dump. Such articles as meats, vegetables or things of that sort subject to decay resulting in disagreeable odors as well as a condition detrimental to the Public Health should never be dumped. They should be buried at the earliest possible moment. It is hoped certain of our storekeepers will pay particular attention to this very important matter.

To the milk producers and dealers in denatured alcohol. Any one producing milk and offering it for sale is required by law to secure a permit from the Board of Health. There is now no trouble in securing same provided your dairy is in a sanitary condition.

Dealers in denatured alcohol must obtan a permit from this board.

Failure to obtain such permits many prove very embarrasing, also costly, to the offenders. All permits must be re-issued as of May 1 of each year.

#### CRIME

It is unfortunate such a department is necessary but believe all agree it has a very important function and could not be dispensed with.

It was most unfortunate one of our Constables was called to the "Great Beyond" last May. The untimely death of Louis J. Bartz from heart disease while directing traffic was a great shock to his host of friends and left a vacancy in the department difficult to fill. He had served the Town and served it well as Police Officer and Constable for fourteen years. Such duties call for a man—quick of wit—diplomatic—fearless. His work over a period of years demonstrated he was well qualified in each respect.

James B. Cameron was appointed to fill out Mr. Bartz term of office until the annual election in March. In the short time he has held the office we believe he has proven himself well able to carry on the duties of the office and it is hoped the people in the south part of the Town appreciate having such a man located in their vicinity.

#### POOR

This department as usual has been called upon for a large sum. In each case where aid has been allowed it has been one of actual necessity. Quite a considerable part of the amount authorized has been for aid to people "towned" elsewhere and which will eventually come back into our Town treasury.

If the awards of this department are to be held within at all reasonable bounds those handling the work must be willing to be fair at all times but not easily misled by a play on their sympathy as unfortunately there are those who would have one believe their case to be very much worse than the facts develop. We have in mind instances where the Town would have been terribly imposed upon had this board been susceptible to well laid plans and dramatic appeal on the part of certain claimants. The majority of applicants are, however, reasonable in their demands.

We were relieved of one account this last summer which has run into a large sum each year for several years, an absolute necessity, however. This account was hardly off our books before it was imperative we take on another and which bids fair to result in an expenditure in excess of the one discharged.

## CONTINGENT

To this account has been charged such items as salaries and expenses of Selectmen. Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, Treasurer and Collector, Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering, Sealer of Weights and Measures, and numerous other items which could not be applied to any other account. The account ceases as of December 31, 1926, the various items being provided for under separate headings in the new State Accounting System.

### STATE AID

The sums paid out by order of the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions for State Aid in Kingston amounted to \$568.00 the past year.

## TREE WARDEN

The appropriation for this department was \$100.00. Of this amount \$97.00 has been expended.

We refrain from commenting further on Suppression of Crime, Fire, Forest Fire, or Highway, as the heads of these departments have kindly prepared separate reports which will be found elsewhere in this report.

## TOWN FINANCES

The outstanding notes against the Town on Jan. 1, 1926, were \$63,000. Ten notes amounting to \$10,700 have been paid as they became due and one new issue has been added making the indebtedness as of Jan. 1,

19	27, \$86,300, as follows:		
14	Kingston Water Loan Bonds of \$500 each at 51/4% interest, payable one each year beginning May 1, 1927,	\$7,000	00
5	Kingston Water Loan Notes of \$1,000 each at 51/4% interest, one note payable each year beginning April 1,		
	1927,	5,000	00
15	Kingston Water Loan Notes of \$1,000 each at 434% interest, payable one	2,000	
	each year beginning May 1, 1927,	15,000	00
3	Kingston Highway Damage Loan Notes of \$1,000 each and one of \$500, one payable each year beginning Dec.	,	
	21, 1927,	3,500	00
10	Kingston High School Loan Bonds of		
	\$1,000 each at 41/2% interest, one payable each year beginning Aug. 1,		
	1927,	10,000	00
5	Kingston Hospital Loan Roads of		

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1927,	10,000 00
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Kingston Hospital Loan Bonds of	
\$500 each at 51/4% interest, one pay-	
able each year beginning Sept. 1,	
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Kingston Fire Apparatus Notes, one	
note of \$2,000 and one of \$1,000, at	
4% interest, one payable each year	

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beginning Sept. 1, 1927,

10 Kingston High School Additional Loan Bonds, 4 of \$4,000 each and 6 of \$3,000 each, one payable each year beginning July 1, 1927, 41/17 in-	
4 Kingston Water Loan (River Street) Notes of \$1,200 each at 444% inter-	00 00

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THOMAS PRINCE BENEVOL The permanent fund is invested as Plymouth Savings Bank, Book 44069 Plymouth Five Cents Bank, Book 35 Cambridge Savings Bank, Book 8507 Charlestown Five Cents Bank, Book East Cambridge Savings Bank, Book Boston Five Cents Bank, Book 8878	follov 499, 3 15240 8853	vs : 35,	\$5,000 2,000 4,000 5,000 4,000 1,541	00 00 00
Total permanent fund, Jan. 1, 1927 Received: Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1926, Jan. 5, Plymouth Savings Bank, Jan. 10, Cambridge Savings Bank, Jan. 16, Plymouth Five Cents Bank, Apr. 16, East Cambridge Bank, Apr. 16, Charlestown Five Cents	\$197 137 100 45 100	77 50 00 00		18
Bank.	125	00	)	

137 50

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Bank,

July 6, Plymouth Savings Bank.

July 10, Cambridge Savings Bank,

July 15, Plymouth Five Cents Bank,

Oct. 15, East Cambridge Bank, Oct. 20, Charlestown Five Cents Ban Total Receipts,	100 00 k, 125 00	0 0 - \$1,212 7	7
There has been paid out: July 12, Deposit in Boston Five Cen Banks, Distributed for the benefit of Poor, Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1927,	ts \$500 00 566 75 146 02	•	7

# LUCY PRINCE AMES FUND

The report of the Selectmen as trustees of this fund for the year ending Dec. 31, 1926, is as follows:

No change has been made in the securities which consist of:

Twelve \$1,000 U.S. Government One \$500 U.S. Government Bond	Bonds, \$12,000 00
Total investment,	\$12,500 00
Income on deposit in:	,
Plymouth National Bank, Jan.	
1, 1926,	\$430 83
Received interest on bonds,	•
Aug. 14, 1926,	265 62
Received interest on bonds, Oct.	
16, 1926,	265 63
Total receipts,	\$962 08
There has been paid for labor,	\$531 48
Purchase of land.	100 00
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1927,	330 60
	<b>\$962</b> 08

### WILLIS FUND

This fund was given by William N. Willis, a former citizen of Kingston, the income to be paid by the chairman of the Selectmen for the benefit of poor children.

No change has been made in the se	ecuriti	es.		
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1926,	\$42	53		
Div. Plymouth Nat'l Bank, Jan. 15,	52	00		
Check not paid, drawn from				
other accounts,	22	75		
Div. Home Savings Bank, Apr. 18,	45	00		
Cash Div. Old Colony Nat'l Bank,	10	00		
Div. Old Colony R. R.,	7	00		
Div. Plymouth Nat'l Bank, July 1,	65	00		
Div. Home Savings Bank, Oct. 21,	45	00		
Total receipts,			\$289	29
Paid out for poor children,	\$285	00		
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1926,	4	29		
			\$289	29

### ICHABOD WASHBURN BENEVOLENT FUND

The report of the trustees of the Ichabod Washburn Benevolent Fund for the year ending December 31, 1926, is as follows:

\$1,082 48

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Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1926, \$648 21
April 1, interest Mansfield Bond, 60 00
April 15, interest U. S. Liberty Bonds, 148 75
July 1, interest Plymouth Savings
Bank, 16 77
Oct. 1, interest Mansfield Bonds, 60 00
Oct. 15, interest U. S. Liberty Bonds, 148 75

There has been distributed:		
To 31 widows,	\$365	00
To 12 single women,	120	00
Expenses for distribution,	. 15	00
Surety Bond,	37	50
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1926,	544	98

# Report of the Town Accountant

Kingston, Mass., February 7, 1927. To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Town of Kingston: Gentlemen:-I submit herewith a report of the financial transactions of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1926. ROLAND BAILEY, Town Accountant.

# RECEIPTS

GENERAL	REVENUE
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GENERAL REVENUE		
TAXES CURRENT YEAR		
Town,	\$55,071.46	
Agency:	•	
State,	4,920.00	
State highway,	828.00	
State Trust Companies 1922	10.33	
County,	6,486.17	
		\$67,315.96
Previous years,	\$19,967.96	
STATE		
Corp. Tax, Public Service,	\$606.38	
Corp. Tax, Business,	2,864.20	
Income Tax 1923,	57.00	
Income Tax 1924,	72.20	
Income Tax 1925,	205.00	
Income Tax 1926,	7,406.89	
Income Tax 1926 (special),	1,894.87	
National Bank Tax,	307.43	
Soldiers Exemptions,	164.32	
		13,578.29
LICENSES and PERMITS		
Licenses,	\$32.00	32.00
FINES	-	
Court,	\$187.10	187.10

GRANTS and GIFTS			
Dept. of Education, Com. of			
Mass.,	\$720.66		
Dog Licenses from County,	308.99		-
For Outlays from Playground			-
Committee,	288.00		
		1,327.65	
OTHER REVENUE		0.452.00	
Sale of Public Property,	\$2,175.00		010170000
	-		\$104,583.96
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COMMERCIAL REVENU	TE (Deburtu	ientai)	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	0150.00	e170.00	
Rent of Town Hall,	\$179.00	\$179.00	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS a	bpoppept\		
		53.72	
Scaler of Weights and Measur	66.08	66.08	
Insect Pest Extermination,	270.50	270.50	
Forest Fires,	210.90	210.00	
HIGHWAYS			
Sale of Materials,	\$7.20		
Trucks and Tractor,	1,147.00		
Contract:	2,20000		
From State,	5,996.03		
From County,	4,000.00		
From Councy,		11,150.23	ı
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CHARITIES and SOLDIERS' I	BENEFITS		
Reimbursements:			
From Individuals,	\$679.20		
From Cities and Towns,	216.25		
From State,	286.00		
Mothers' Aid:			
From Cities and Towns,	188.17		
From State,	288.42		
		1,658.04	١.

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS			
State Aid, SCHOOLS	\$572.00	572.00	
Tuition, State,	\$199.45		
Tuition, Other,	603.70	.:	
		803.15	
PUBLIC LIBRARY			,
Book Fines,	\$60.07	60.07	
RECREATION			,
Kingston Playground,	\$157.45	157.45	
UNCLASSIFIED		. :	
200th Anniversary,	\$1,710.30	1,710.30	
	-		\$16,680.54
PUBLIC SERVICE EN WATER DEPARTMENT Sale of Water:	TERPRISES	•	
Meter Rates.	271.01		
Annual Rates,	\$51.94		
Interest Guaranties,	13,002.14		
Sale of Old Materials,	359.06		
All Other,	13.00		
- Chief	13.50	19.490.64	10 100 01
INTEREST	<b>&gt;</b>	13,439.64	13,439.64
On Deposits,	.\$225.66		
On Taxes,	984.55		
On Trust Funds,	792.25		
,		\$2,002.46	2,002.46
		92,002.40	2,002.20
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNES	SS		
Anticipation of Revenue,	\$40,000.00 \$	10.000.00	
High School Addition,	34,000.00		
Premium on Loans,	459.00	459.00	
	·	<u> </u>	74,459.00
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REF	U	NDS	and	TRANSFERS
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REPUNDS and INAUSPERS		
Refunds:		
To Highway,	\$16.00	
To Poor,	10.00	
To Snow Removal,	200.00	
To Library Appropriation,	12.42	
<u> </u>	<del> </del>	:
Transfers:		-
To Water Dept. from Home		
Park Construction,	\$169.60	
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AGENCY, TRUST and INVESTMENT OTHER PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS

Will of Arthur F. Wadsworth, \$1,623.01 \$1,623.01 1,623.01 11,717.30 Cash December 31, 1925,

\$224,913.93

408.02

169.60

# PAYMENTS

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT		
Moderator,	\$25.00	\$25.00
SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT		
Salaries of Selectmen 1925		
and 1926,	1,787.55	
Printing, Stationery and	_,,	
Postage,	137.21	
Carfares, etc.,	22.20	
All Other,	47.29	
		1,994.25
		2,00 1120
AUDITING DEPARTMENT		
Accountant,	\$333.35	
Auditor,	49.72	
All Other,	215.80	
_		598.87
TREASURY DEPARTMENT		
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		2000 00
Treasurer,		\$600.00
Printing, Stationery and	15.01	
Postage,	50.00	
Surety Bond,		
All Other,	12.60	677.61
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COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT		
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Collector,	\$600.00	
Printing, Stationery and	90.00	
Postage,	90.93	
Surety Bond,	100.00	
All Other,	- 3 <u>6</u> .97	

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT		· . · · · · · · ·
Assessors,	\$1,265.00	
Printing, Stationery and		
Postage,	63,43	
Auto Hire,	65,00	
Town Survey,	1,500.00	
All Others,	18.23	
		2,911.66
OTHER FINANCE OFFICES		
Printing and Certifying		
Bonds and Notes,	\$146.00	146.00
TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMEN	<b>T</b> -	-
Town Clerk's Salary, 1925		
and 1926.	\$180.00	
Recording Fees,	157.50	
All Other,	20.77	
-		358.27
ELECTION and REGISTRATIC	N DEPT.	
Registrars' Salaries 1925 and		
1926.	\$240.00	
Election Officers,	84.00	
Printing, Stationery and		
Postage,	54.05	
,		378.05
TOWN HALL		
Janitor Service,	\$130.20	
Fuel,	117.90	
Light,	108.40	
Repairs,	17.11	
Boiler Repairs,	254.59	
New Chairs,	149.01	
All Other,	22.04	700 PE
		799.25

8,716.86

PROTECTION of PERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT	S and PR	OPERTY
Constables,	\$600.00	
Traffic and Police Duty,	271.75	
Auto Hire,	234.50	
Equipment and Repairs,	13.62	
All Other,	152,49	
-		\$1,272.36
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Salaries and Wages,	\$812.75	
Hydrant Markers,	19.58	
Clearing Snow from Hydrants,	36.50	
Apparatus,	101.90	
Outfit for Men,	149.95	
Other Equipment,	103.01	
Light,	17.13	
Repairs to Buildings,	19.50	
Rental of Quarters,	723.80	
All Other Expenses,	61.93	
-		2,046.00
SEALING of WEIGHTS and ME	ASURES '	
Salary 1925 and 1926,	\$200.00	
Auto Hire,	31.75	
Equipment, .	28.37	
All Other,	7.37	
MOTH EXTERMINATION		267.49
Superintendent,	\$427.50	
Labor.	565.00	
Auto and Teams,	216.00	
All Other,	18.70	
-		1,227.20
TREE WARDEN		
Salaries and Wages,	\$82.25	
All Other,	14.75	
· · ·		97.00

FOREST FIRES			
Forest Warden,	\$66.00		
Fighting Fires,	323.40		
Apparatus,	64.00		
All Other,	18.57		
All Other,		471.97	
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OTHER PROTECTION of PERSO	NS and PRO	PERTY	
Shell Fish Warden,	\$40.00	40.00	5,422.07
Bileit 2 in.		·	0,422.01
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HEALTH and SANITATIO	M (Heatti	2-41-77	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		\$1.00	
Expenses,	\$1.00	\$1,00	
TUBERCULOSIS			
Board and Treatment,	\$882.70		
Plymouth County Hospital			
Assessment,	755.90	4 000 CD	
21000000		1,638.60	
			-
VITAL STATISTICS	\$8.00	8.00	-
Deaths,	90.00	-	
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OTHER EXPENSES	\$18.37	18.37	
All Other,	•		
INSPECTION			
INSPECTION	\$1,006.80		-
School Children, Animals, Salary 1925 and 1925	262.50		
Slaughtering, Salary 1925			
and 1926,	175.00		
ana 1020,		1,444.30	
OTHER HEALTH and SANIT.	\$12.00	12.00	
Care of Public Dump,	\$12.00		3,122.27

HIGHWAYS	-		
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	٠		
Salaries,	\$1,299.97	\$1,299.97	
GENERAL			
Salaries and Wages,	\$1,800.00		
Trucks and Teams,	363.00		
Stone, Gravel, etc.,	1,761.48		
Equipment and Repairs,	1,118.82		
All Other,	758.04		
•		5,801.34	
SNOW and ICE REMOVAL			
Salaries and Wages,	22 224 44		
Trucks,	\$2,026.30		
All Other,	375.00		
Zin Other,	795.82	0.405.40	
		3,197.12	
STREET LIGHTING			
Contract,	\$1,720.79	1,720.79	
OTHER EXPENSES			
All Other,	\$230.87	230.87	
	-		12,250.0
SPECIAL HIGHWAYS			
MAIN STREET and WAPPING			
Salaries and Wages, Stone and Gravel, etc.,	\$8,190.67		
Oil and Tar,	2,568.77		
Crane Shovel,	2,562.30		
Town Trucks and Tractor,	628.00		
All Other,	1,147.00		
Land Damage,	898,80		
Zuim Damage,	1,480.20	185.84	

\$17,475.74

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HOWLAND'S LANE	. :		
Salaries and Wages,	\$754.88		
	1,178.00		
Trucks and Teams,			
Gravel,	60.00	1 000 00	•
_		1,992.88	
RIVER STREET			
Salaries and Wages,	\$148.00		•
Trucks and Teams,	248.00		-
224000		496.00	
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CRESCENT and PROSPECT ST	REETS		
Salaries and Wages,	\$263.00		
Trucks and Teams,	36.00		
Binder Oil,	700.00		
		999.00	
HIGHWAY FENCES			
	\$498.49	498,49	
Fences,	940040	100.10	
NEW TRACTOR			
Tractor and Grader,	\$1,983.50	1,983.50	
Tractor and Grader,	φ <b>x</b> ,σσσσ		23,445.61
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POOR DEPARTMENT			
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION			
Printing, etc.,	\$1.00		

OUTSIDE RELIEF BY TOW	'N				35	
Coal and Wood,	\$8.25			The second second		
Board and Care,	846.00				and SUPPLIES	
Medicine and Medical Atten	dance, 95.60		-	High,	\$962.09	
State Institution,	403.71			Elementary,	1,397.79	
Cash,	2,240.00					2,359.88
All Other,	41.00			TUITION	• •	
		3,634.56		High,	\$196.90	100.00
		0,00,100		mign,	\$100.00	196.90
RELIEF BY OTHER CITIES	and TOWNS			TRANSPORTA	TION	•
Towns,	\$1,939.12	1,939.12		High,	\$863.00	
MOTHERS AID BY		`		Elementary,	3,384.50	
Town,						4,247.50
iown,	\$976.25	976.25				
			6,556.93	JANITORS' SI		
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS				High,	\$732.00	
State Aid,	\$568.00	500.00		Elementary,	1,713.00	
,	\$90 <b>9</b> ,00	568.00	-00.00			2,445.00
			568.00	FUEL and LIC	HT	
SCHOOLS LINE.				High,	\$624.26	
SCHOOLS and LIBRARI	ES			Elementary,	1,788.93	
GENERAL						2,413.19
Salary of School Committee,	\$123.00					
Salary of Superintendent,	1,105.17	•		MAINTENANO	E of BUILDINGS and GROU	NDS
Printing, Stationery and				High:		
Postage,	17.38			Repairs,	\$118.08	
Traveling Expenses and				All Other,	53.38	
Telephone,	242.66					171.46
School Census, All Other,	50.00			Elementary:	44 440 04	
An Other,	292.15			Repairs,	\$1,068.34	
		\$1,830.36		All Other,	62.91	1 101 05
TEACHERS' SALARIES				<b>基</b>		1,131.25
High,	\$8,800.00			FIIRNITÉ DE	and FURNISHINGS	
Elementary,	15,211.00		-	High.	8155.35	
	25,511.00	24,011.00		Elementary,	50.25	
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30,171.36	Kingston Playground: Labor, Purchase of Land,  UNCLASSIFIED Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance, War Memorial,	\$26.00 400.00 \$171.10 433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00 403.00	\$8,561.92	524.75
	Labor, Purchase of Land,  UNCLASSIFIED Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	\$171.10 493.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00		524.75
	Purchase of Land,  UNCLASSIFIED  Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	\$171.10 493.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00		524.75
	UNCLASSIFIED  Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	\$171.10 493.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00		524.75
	Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00		524.75
	Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	021.10
	Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Memorial Day, Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Printing and Distributing Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	433.00 125.36 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Town Reports, Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	125.86 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Care of Flag Pole and Flag, American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	125.86 286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	American Legion, Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	286.27 100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Farm Bureau, 200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	100.00 6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	200th Anniversary, Liability Insurance,	6,972.19 71.00	\$8,561.92	
	Liability Insurance,	71.00	\$8,561.92	
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	war Memoriai,	403.00	\$8,561.92	
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34,702.30	ENTERPRISES and CEN	PAIGATA		
2= -0	WATER DEPARTMENT	ie ienieo		
67,50	ADMINISTRATION			
		\$1,800.00		
	Superintendent,	200.00		
	Collector of Water Rates,	200.00		
	Printing, Stationery and	49.44		
	Postage,	121.48		
	All Other,	121.10	\$2,170.92	
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	CENTED 41			
		\$1,636,00		
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	An Otner,		2.798.84	
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	1,537.42	GENERAL Labor, Pipe and Fittings, Equipment, Gas and Oil, All Other,	Labor, \$1,636.00 Pipe and Fittings, 501.29 Equipment, 156.29 Gas and Oil, 158.51	Labor, \$1,636.00  Pipe and Fittings, 501.29  Equipment, 156.29  Gas and Oil, 158.51

PUMPING STATION			-
Fuel, Light and Power, Repairs,	\$634,06 101.25		
All Other,	61.32	<b>\$796.6</b> 3	
SERVICE PIPE			
Pipe and Fittings,	\$339.48	339.48	
EXTENSIONS			
Labor,	\$191.50		
Pipe and Fittings,	1,522.85		
All Other,	116.19		
		1,830.54	
Cleaning Pipes,	\$1,900.80	1,900.80	
			9,837.21
INTEREST			
TEMPORARY LOANS			
Anticipation of Revenue,	\$827.14	\$827.14	
GENERAL LOANS			
Fire,	\$200.00		
School,	1,327.50		
Highway,	246.25		
Tuberculosis Hospital,	144.38		
		1,918.13	
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERP	RISE LOANS		
Water,	\$1,759.09	1,759.09	4 50 4 00
	-		4,504.36

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Anticipation of Revenue,	\$30,000.00 \$	30,000.00	
GENERAL LOANS			
Fire.	\$2,000.00		
School,	1,000.00	-	
Highway,	2,000.00		
Tuberculosis Hospital,	500.00		
		5,500.00	
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERI	PRISE LOANS		
Water.	\$5,200.00	5,200.00	
	_		40,700.00
AGENCY, TRUST and	INVESTMENT		
AGENCY Taxes: State and Non-Resident Ba County,	6,486.17	2,244.50	
Taxes: State and Non-Resident Ba	6,486.17	2,244.50	1
Taxes: State and Non-Resident Ba County,	6,486.17	2,244.50 17.00	
Taxes: State and Non-Resident Ba County, TRUST and INVESTMENT	6,486.17	,_	12,261.50

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REFUNDS

Taxes, Playground Fund, Parent Teachers' Association, TRANSFERS
Home Park Construction to
Water Maintenance,

Cash December 31, 1926,

\$169.60

169.60

665.05

\$212,615,20

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\$224,913,93

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LOANS	Rate	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1925	Paid 1926	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926	Due 1927	
Fire Loan—Sept. 1, 1924	1	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	
Plymouth County Hospital—May 1, 1921		3,000.00	500.00	2,500.00	500.00	
Highway Land Damage—December 21, 1921		4,500.00	1,000.00	3,500.00	1,000.00	
Highway Loan—May 16, 1923		1,000.00	1,000.00			
High School—August 1, 1921		11,000.00	1,000.00	10,000.00	1,000.00	,
High School Additional 1926—July 1, 1926				34,000.00	4,000.00	Ī
Water Loan 1920—May 1, 1920	* 1	7,500.00	500.00	7,000.00	500.00	I.
Water Loan 1921—April 1, 1921	• • •	6,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00	1,000.00	
Water Loan 1923—May 21, 1923	•	16,000.00	1,000.00	15,000.00	1,000.00	
Water Loan 1925—May 1, 1925			1,200.00	4,800.00	1,200.00	
Water Loan 1925—Nay 1, 1925			1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Water Loan 1929—October 1, 1929	7.1	\$63,000.00	\$10,700.00	\$86,300.00	\$13,700.00	
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APPROPRIATIONS AND E	VDENDUCTORO
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Unarrend	VD EAF	REDIT	KES				
Moderator	1925	ed Appropria	Transfers	Receipts	Total	Expended	Ralavce.	
6	• • • • • •		\$25.00		\$25.00		1926	
Accounting			2,003.54		2,003.54			
Treasurer and Collector Assessors			487.97	• • • • • •	487.97	487.97		
Assessors		\$1,200.00	308.61		1,508.61	1,508.61		
Assessors Town Clerk		200.00	1,321.66		1,521.66	1,411.66		
			366.27		366.27	366.27		
Election and Registration			399,55		399.55			
Town Survey		1,500.00			1,500.00			
Town House Chairm		500.00	150.24		650.24	1,500.00		
Town House Chairs	• • • • • •	150.00			150.00	149,01		
PROTECTION of PERSONS and PROPERTY						130,01	.99	1
suppression of Grime .								7
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Suppression of Moths	• • • • • •	2,250.00	• • • • •	,	2,250.00	2,046,05		L
Tree Warden	• • • • • •	1,230.00			1,230.00	1,227.20	203.95	
Forest Fires		100.00			100.00	97.00	2.80	
Sealer of Weights and Measures		600.00	9.42		609.42	471.97		
Shell Fish Warden			267.49		267.49	267.49	137.45	
			10.00		40.00		*****	
HEALTH and SANITATION					10.00	40,00	•••••	
Health		{	19.37		200 15			
riymouth County Tuberculosis Hagnital			581.10}	• • • • • •	600.47	600.47		
Inspector of Animals		755,90	*****	• • • • • •	755.90	755.90		
		• • • • • •	262.50	• • • • • •	262.50	262.50		-

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	Slaughtering			175,00 12.00		175.00 12.00		•••••	
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HIGHWAYS	the first section of the		-						
General High	way		12,000.00	1,147,003	:	13,147.00	{6,000.000 }7,127.51	1 111 111	, - ·
Tractor	*************************		2,015.00			2,015.00		31.50	1
Howland's La	ne Construction		2,000.00			2,000.00	1,992,88	742	
Crescent and	Prospect Sts. Construction		1,000,00			1,000.00	999,00	1.00	
River St. Con	struction		500.00			500.00	496.00	1.00	
	Wapping Rd. Construction			6,000,00	\$9,996,03	15,996.03	15,995.54	.49	
			2,700.00			2,700.00		1,219.80	
			500,00			500.00		500.00	
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	ces		500,00		1,,,,,,	500.00	498.49	1.51	
	ng	* * * * * * *	2,000.00		,,,,,,	2.000.00	1,720,79	279,21	
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Troffic Sions				25.17		25.17	25.17	200.00	- 174
	ghway Department		14144	179.50		179.50		1777	. '- 4.
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CHARITIES and	SOLDIERS' BENEFITS					• •	. : •		
A Land State Control			8.000.00			8,000.00	581.10	1 t 40 0 0 0	
							6,858.53	)	
		• • • • •	700.00	• • • • • •		700,00		132.00	
Income Willis	Fund				34.00	31.00	17.00	17.00	

SCHOOLS and LIBRARIES								
Schools	181.66	40,000.00			40,181.66	40,178.16	3.50	
**Adams Free Lecture Fund			450.75	228.20	678.95	67.50	611,45	
Income F. C. Adams School Fund				240.74	240.74	144,44*	96.30	
Income Rosa A. Cole School Fund				55.74	55.74	55.74*		
Income Annie C, Thomas School Fund				250.57	250.57	250.57*		
Frederick C. Adams Public Library		1,525.00		12,42	1,537.42	1,537.42	• • • • • •	
RECREATION and UNCLASSIFIED								
Contingent		7,000.00			7,000.00	6,984,673	15,33	
Kingston Playground	124.23			( 9,86) }445,45(		{426,00 }131,454	22.09	
Town Green		100.00			100.00	98.75	1.25	1
Memorial Day	,	200.00			200.00	171.10	28.90	1
Printing and Distributing Town Reports			433.00		433.00	433.00		Ť
American Legion		300.00			300.00	286.27	13.73	١
Farm Bureau		100.00			100.00	100.00		-
Care of Flag Pole and Flag			99.47		99.47	99.475		٠.
** War Memorial	1,311.13				1,311.13	403.00	908.13	
**200th Anniversary	500.00	7,00 <b>%</b> .00	• • • • •	• • • • •	7,500.00	6,972,19	527.81	
Refund of Taxes			54.00		54.00	54.00		٠
Liability Insurance	• · • • •		71.00	• • • • •	71.00	71.00	• • • • • •	
ENTERPRISES and CEMETERIES						•		1.
Water Department Maintenence		6,750.00	169.60	• • • • •	6,919.60	6,688.43	231.17	
Cleaning Water Pipes			1,255.83		1,255.83	1.255.83		
Extensions Home Park		350,00			350.00	(169.60°) (158.71-)	21.69	

Extensions Wapping Rd. A* **Extensions Wapping Rd. B		350,00 2,100,00			350.00 2,100.00	334.41 1,399.83	15,59 700.17	
INTEREST and MATURING DEBT Bonds, Notes and Interest Premiums on Bonds and Notes	.,	1 1,000.00		459.00	14,000.00 459.00	15,204.36 138.00	1,204.367 321.00	
NON-REVENUE  **Fire Apparatus  High School Addition  Water Construction, "Wells"  Water Construction, River St	2.08	35,000,08	*****		35,000.00 2.06	34,702.30 2,06 1,253.77	297.70	=

t Transfer to Main St. and Wapping Rd. Construction.

<sup>2</sup> From Trucks and Tractor Revenue.

a Transfer to Specific Account.

<sup>5 \$25.80</sup> Charged in Selectmen's Account; Total Expended for Care of Flag Pole and Flag \$125.36.

<sup>&</sup>quot; Transfer to Water Maintenance.

<sup>7</sup> Overdraft.

<sup>8</sup> Transfer to Cleaning Water Pipes.

o Transfer to Health.

<sup>\*</sup> Transfer to Adams Lectures.

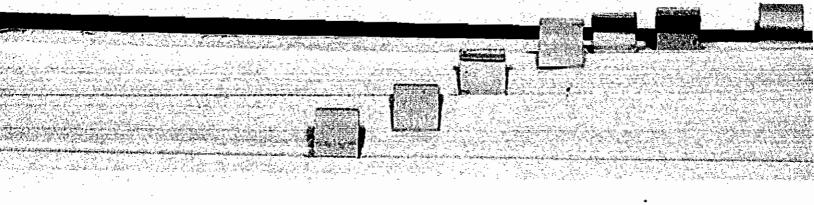
<sup>\*\*</sup> Continuing Account.

# TOWN OF KINGSTON BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1926

GENERAL	ACCOUNTS
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Cont.	ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash: Accounts Receivable: Taxes:		\$12,298.73	Temporary Loans: Notes in Anticipation of Revenue.	\$10,000.00
Levy 1922, Levy 1923, Levy 1924, Levy 1925, Levy 1926,	\$53.16 510.60 2,140.70 9,160.14 27,635.63	) 	Unexpended Appropriation Balances: Wapping Road Land Damage, \$1,219.86 Sidewalks, 500.00 War Memorial, 908.13 200th Anniversary, 527.81 Water Department, 53.00	:
Departmental: Forest Fires, Poor Department, State Aid,	\$7.50 89.00 568.00		Water Mains Wapping Road "B" 700.17 Fire Apparatus, 109.40 High School Addition, 297.70 Income—Willis Fund,	. 1
Water Rates, etc., Tax Titles, Overdrawn Accounts: Overlay 1922, Overlay 1923, Overlay 1924,	\$1,611.31 1,642.23 839.03	664,50 45,00 63,26	Income—School Funds, Premium on Notes and Bonds, H. S. Everson—Collector, Arthur F. Wadsworth Fund (Subject to acceptance by the Town), Sale of Public Property, Departmental Revenue,	707.75 321.00 82.09 1,623.01 2,175.00 664.50

Overlay 1925, 345.90	61 190 te	Water Revenue,		45.00	
Bonds, Notes and Interest,	\$4,438,47 1,204,36	Tax Titles—Revenue, Overlay 1926,		63.26 364.50	
200th AnniversaryRevenue,	5,642.83 289,70	Surplus Révenue,		38,125.07	
	\$58,504.25			\$58,504.25	
	DEBT ACC	COUNTS			
Net Funded or Fixed Debt,	90,001;38\$	Fire Loan, Plymouth County Hospital Loan, Highway Land Dannage Loan, High School Loan 1921, High School Addition,	\$3,000.00 2,500.00 3,500.00 10,000.00 34,000.00		1
		Water Lean 1920, Water Lean 1921, Water Lean 1923, Water Lean 1925,	7,000,00 5,000,00 15,000,00 1,800,00		
	<b>Ja. 18</b> on A Applicately splitters with	Water Lean 1925,	1,500.00	33,300.00	
	\$86,300.00			\$80,300.00	 - -



# TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust	Funds:	Cash and	Securities.

\$91,653,90	Willis Poor Fund,	\$8,036.10
	Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund,	21,687,20
	Ichabod Washburn Fund.	11,067.94
	F. C. Adams School Fund,	5,023.51
	Annie C. Thomas School Fund,	5,000.00
•	Rosa A. Cole School Fund,	1,000.00
	F. C. Adams Library Fund,	19,402.16
	Annie C. Thomas Library Fund,	1,246.02
	Rosa A. Cole Library Fund,	5,474.97
	Byron C. Quimby Library Fund,	107.71
	Elizabeth F. Glover Drinking Fountain Fund,	313.87
	Evergreen Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund,	111.78
	St. Joseph's Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund,	52,04
	Lucy Prince Ames Cemetery Fund,	12,830.60

\$91,653.90

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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF

# Town Treasurer

Collector

and Town Clerk

# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

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Balan Receij	ce Jan. 1, 1926, ets,	\$11,717 30 213,027 03
For th	e year,	\$224,744 23
Warra Balanc	nts paid, ce Jan. 1, 1927,	\$212,445 60 12,298 73
For th	e year,	\$224,744 33
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1926.	F. C. ADAMS SCHOOL FUND	
Jan. 1.	To amount on hand, To amount received dividends,	\$11,000 00 547 05
1927.	By amount in town funds,	\$11,547 05 547 05
Jan. 1.	Amount in hands of Treasurer,	\$11,000 00
Jan. 1.	WORLD WAR FUND Amount on hand, Dividend,	\$1,311 13 92 10
	Amount In hands of Treasurer,	\$1,403 23

BY WILL OF MRS, JEROME To Care For Lot in St. Joseph's Cemetery 1927.

Jan. 1. Amount in hands of Treasurer,

BY WILL OF MADELLA WITHERELL To Care For Lot in Evergreen Cemetery 1927.

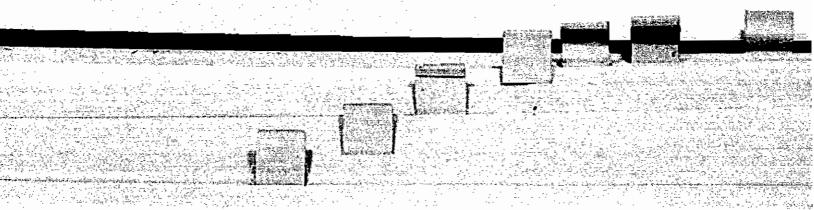
Jan. 1. Amount in hands of Treasurer, \$114 83

BY WILL OF ARTHUR F. WADSWORTH 1927. Jan. 1. Amount in hand of Treasurer. \$1,6

For Report of Tax Collector, see Report of Town Accountant.

HENRY S. EVERSON, Treasurer.

\$1,623 01



# DEATHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1926

11ate 1926	Name	Y M. D	Catter of Beatle	Patient's Napies
Jan. t.	Levi B. Sampson William R. Baker Blanche R. Ronchard August Bartelli George B. Bonney Anna B. Baricy		Haitnephyla	Lien Sampon and Mary I. Chamilter
Jan. 3.	William R. Haker	61 1 29	Myescardithe	Augo R. Haker and Engly K. Baker
Jan. 5.	Blanche R. Bonchard	2 1 5	Arcidental Burning	Alchards Roughard and Phobe teachy
Jan. 17.	August Bartelli	3 B	Angina Pectorie	Peter Britelli and Ida Ledi
Jan. 19.	George II. Bonney	72-11-8	Cerebral Hemitelman	Gregge H. Patito & Atol Mary P. Ripley
Feb. 3.	Auna R. Batter	A0 7 1	Cape itagetat	Abraham O. Brown and Mary C. Babes
Peb. 7.	Prances Alwarn	S 10	l'enerenterente.s	Manrice Dath's and Prancis Stevens
Feb. 19.	Arthur Cabral	1 1 6	L'ster Ettitettel.a	Manual Caistal and Matiana Olice
Feb. 21.	Ellen McGregor	10	Colorat Hermarthau	1 111
Mar. L	Ellen McGregor James B. Pierce	92 11 29	litthice.	John Pietry and Identila Publics
Mar. 2.	Harold R. Anti	4 17:1	Menincitis	flatobl Anti and Clara Rest.
Mar. 15.	Harold R. Auti Leon St. Amant Catherine Abbott Janet Padelford	67.11	Cebral Henorthage	Colonys St. Amant and Barelous
Mar. 17.	Catherine Abbott	83 8 1	Paganofila	Morris Davis and Frances Stevens
Mar. 17.	Janet Padelford	71 10 4	Inanitton	Robert Melitiesh and Mary Dobien
Apr. 2.	Christian Same	75 2 20	Catellanta	follich Sauer and Barbara Hildchrand
Apr. 12.	Janet Padelford Christian Sauer Robert F. Randaff Lawrence M. Baker Joseph M. Duprce Marcaret A. Reidenbach	71 5 6	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Robert F. Randall and Hannah Whiting
Apr. 17.	Laurence M. Roker	32 1 21	Tula tentosis of Lotters	Edgar A. Baker and Plota W. Cushing
Apr. 17.	Insent M. Dunren	ia di i	Surgical Shack	lough Dugge and Laura Darri
Ajer. 23.	Margaret A. Reidenbach	10 3	Pro tirricitor.	Carl R Reindenback and Gladys L. Nickers-
Apr. 23.	George W. Cushman	54 1 27	Mygearditis	bearth T. Cashman and Mary Thrasher
Apr. 29.	Nellie Sampson	31 20	Cerebral Hemotrhage	William A. Sampon and Jane L. Sindons
May 23.	Henry W. Hardy	50 18	Previncia	Truman A. Hardy and Lois R. Wheeler
May 31.	Louis F. Bartz	531 . 99	Heatt Discase	Prodess Batte and Mary Adelie
June 7.	Clara E. Platt	53 28 27 9 1	Ordena of Langs	Elijah Part and Mary Whitehead
June 10.	Henry M. James	66 6 27	Mynearilitis	
June 11.	Nettie W. Fischer	38 8 27	Preamonta	Henry N. Jones and Sophia Martin
June 30.	Gletta Tarantino		Si ptira ma	Watten L. Bryant and Eliza S. Cushman
Aug. 25.		81 12	l'arcatiostila	Bessee Tarantino and Emilia Albonetti
Aug. 30.		10 15	tieffications	Above Palmer and Malaca S, Grant
	Horace C. Cole	11 1 12		<ul> <li>Peauld Callingwood and Herngone R. Johnson</li> </ul>
Sept. 1.		80	Hartheldegia	Hatrison G. Coly and Lucy Chase
Sept. 9.	Margaret Purrell		Arterio Scierosis	John Killey and Mary Dillon
Sept. 21.	Mary S. Jones	69 5 6 - 10 20	Pitalie tean	Gorke L. Soule and Annie Catheart
Sept. 23.			Influenza	Herace E. Pierce and Eunice L. Dile
Sept. 29		19 A H	Heart Bacase	John C. Jawls and Susan Chamilter
Oct. L		72 11 20	Heart Disease	
Oct. 8		通用質	Cancer of Stonesch	John Amterson and Elizabeth Munroe
Nov. 10		76 11 29	Embolian	Thomas Bailey and Cuthia Chandler
Nov. 10		1 18	Paramodila	Miles Alberghint and Ida A. Taxinari
Nov. 18	Santiero	27.5	Stillharn	Balleb Santara and Ada B. Dosne
Nov. 21	, Phylamber II Wright , Lacy M. Robbins	69 6 26 89 5 15	ttela traja od "Lusteija Hanasti" – Iti seriesi	the meet Wright and Panny Victory
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Dec. 15	Webster L. Thankson	73 1 34	Catter to the liter	Hetax Rechember and Elizabeth Leonard Levas S. Thompson, and Polly Summins
11ec. 25		ii i îi	Beart Disease	Claire G. Sumistron and Fony Summing
Dec. 3	William L. Gay	28 6 7	Must tinn Worted	tracepte II. thay and Estella M. Raudall

# BIRTHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1926

Dal	lo .	Same	Names of Patents
Jan.	3.	John Gascoyne	Adam Gasenyus and Catoline Martey
Jan.	8.	George Francis Wager	Frank Wager and Joan M. Salvi
Jan.	22.	Mary Anderson	John Anderson and Eleanor R. After
Jan.	28.	Henry Cabral	Joseph Caleral and Martinla 80%
Peb,	ļ.	Thomas McManus	Thomas A. McManus and Dorothy R. Gradell
Feb.	5. 16.	Georgé Nava Barbara Loudse Gallerant	Remigo Nava and Louisa Chidobi Petdinand Gallerani and Annie M. Motto
Mar. Mar.	17.	- Herbert Bradford Wright	Herbert It. Wright and Mary J. Murphy
Apr.	i.	Russell Martin Richter	John H. M. Bichter and Letta Weichel
Apr.	19,	Jane Marle Malone	John S. Malone and Clara M. Mertile
May	6.	Arnold Tabor Sherwood	Verhold II. Shething and Louise Paul
May	23.	Glietta Tarantin	Rosen Tatapilito and Amelia Albehelli
May	31.	Wallace Cushman Hölüces	therego P. Holmes and Constance M. Cuilibati
June	.3.	Florence Joubert	1 Des 13 La Court and Mary Justices
June	25.	Jane Jackson	Lelloy P. Jackson and Grace E. Statth Leon B. Chandler and Ellen J. Watson
July	8. 13.	Jane Leo Chândier Mary Isabelle Collingwood	Donald Collinguoist and Hethiote Johnson
zur Zuty	19.	= Soliza	Unatriel Soura and house and house man
Aug.	5.	E. Cortex	Antonio I', Cortex and Plorence A. Silvia
Aug.	7.	Helen Kelth	Clinton T. Reith and Helen C. Hathaway
Aug.	8.	Harold Arthur Joubert	Adelarde Jonbert and Albina M. Platastelen
Aug.	21.	Frances Elizabeth Dries	Peter F. Pries and Gretchen B. Holings
Aug.	31.	Gladys frem Merada	Joseph O. Merada and Blanchy V. 1988
Sept.	.S.	Justus Adams Balley ——— Crethon	Roland S. Batley and Dorley A. Hall George Crethnon and Alice A. Basist
	14. 16.	Mario Vincent Vernazzaro	Trank Vernazzaro and Lucia Frasca
Sept. Sept.	17.	Allee Wadsweeth Bradford	Gilbert P. Bendford and Margaret McAulay
Sept.	22.	Edward Bouchard	Charles Rouchard and Albertina Gazneti
Sept.		Maryland Jessie Pease	and Veta I. Pease
Oct.	10.	Helen Reed Balley	Fred L. Halley and Buth Haven
Oct.	15.	Kenneth William Brown	Francis W. Brown and Williamina Rengel
Oct.	31.	Jean St. Amant	Wiffred J. St. Amant and Alles Walker Ralph Santare and Ada B. Jugue
Nov.	8. 23.	Payllis Alden Prouty	Henry J. Prouty and Mildred B. Patrington
Nov. Nov.	23. 27.	Reverly Ann Merry	and Hazel J. Merry
Dec.	9.	Claire Arenzenia Pederzini	Prino Pederzini ami Ida Melohi
Dec.	9,	Malone	William F. Malone and Georgianna Valler
Dec.	15.	Robert Cushman Loring	Robert C. Loring and Lawy Porter
Dec.	18.	Joseph Francis Garuti	Aristide A. Garuti and Loudse M. Bensa
Dec.	22. 27.	Lucille Theresa Heath	Thomas R. Heath and Mary St. Peter Edgar F. Keene and Norma Ballooni
Dec.	21.	Edgar Francis Keene, Jr. Virginia Grandi	Joseph F. Grandl and Agnés H. Laplant
Dec.	28.	Autum atama	The state of the s

## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1926

Jan. 21. John Lopes of Plymouth and Annie W. Johnson of Kingston.

Feb. 7. Aristide Garuti of Kingston and Louise Benea of Lynn.

Mar. 25. Nathaniel T. Wright of Kingston and Ena Y. Swan of Manchester, N. H.

May 22. Albano Silva of Kingston and Paulmina Alves of Plymouth.

May 29. Frederick C. Kaiser of Plymouth and Marina C. Sommie of Kingston.

June 5. Charles Dudley of Kingston and Althea Symmes of Boston.

June 19. Edgar F. Keene and Norma Balboni, both of Kingston.

June 19. Jack T Moore of Clearwater, Florida, and Ruth I. Hernandez of Kingston.

July 12. Warren M. Dewing of Kingston and Doris Neal of Brookline.

July 19. George F. Cole of Plympton and Mildred G. Knight of Kingston,

July 31. Alfred H. Krueger of Kingston and Ruth E. Merry of Duxbury.

Aug. 25. Frank L. Poole of East Bridgewater and Sarah F. Bonney of Kingston.

Sept. 4. James O. Everett and Marcia L. Holmes, both of Kingston.

Sept. 18. Licinio Vergnani and Anila Balboni, both of Kingston.

Sept. 25. Arlo Savery of Kingston and Francis M. Newcome of Whitman.

Oct. 2. Fred P. Botieri of Plymouth, and Alvea C. Tasche of Kingston.

Oct. 2. George L. Chandler and Mary L. Chapman, both of Kingston.

Oct. 2. Vincent Longoni of Lynn and Caroline Maloni of Kingston.

Oct. 7. Russell A. Pejouhy of Kingston and Lena Rossi of Plymouth.

Oct. 9. Arthur Lamontagne of Kingston and Annie Bergani of Plymouth.

Oct. 12. Rigo Facchini of Kingston and Laura Cavicchi of Plymouth.

Oct. 16. Joseph F. Barboza and Mary Pires, both of Duxbury.

Oct. 21. Frederick E. Whelan of Milton and Gertrude M. Chandler of Kingston.

Oct. 23. Sebastian Govoni of Kingston and Mary Feel of Plymouth.

Oct. 26. Willard J. Short of Quincy and Annie J. McGrath of Kingston.

Oct. 30. Albert N. Sampson and Ruby E. Benson, both of Kingston.

Nov. 9. Wilfred G. Long of Kingston and Margaret Sloan of Hartford, Conn.

Nov. 11. Loren C. Nass of Kingston and Vilma M. Weiss of Boston.

Dec. 5. Albert W. Douglass and Aili M. Anderson, both of Kingston.

Dec. 15. Norman B. White and Blanche Short, both of Duxbury.

Dec. 30. Chester Malaguti of Kingston and Emma E. Sylva of Plymouth.

# REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1926

Valuation of Personal Estate,	\$3,472	80
Valuation of Real Estate,	27,150	20
Total Valuation,	30,623	00
Rate of Taxation \$30 per \$1,000	-	
No. of Polls, 832; Poll Tax, \$2.00		
Town Appropriations,	\$110,315	00
State Tax,	4,920	00
State Highway Tax,	828	00
State Auditing Books,	110	90
County Tax,	6,222	59
Overlay,	637	00
Total Assessment,	\$123,033	49
Less estimated receipts from other sources,	29,500	49
Balance to be raised by taxation,	93,533	00
Tax on Polls,	1,664	00
Tax on Personal Estate,	10,418	40
Tax on Real Estate,	81,450	60
Number of horses taxed,	62	-
Number of cows taxed,	161	
Number of other cattle taxed,	39	
Number of swine taxed,	3	
Number of fowl taxed,	3,490	
Number of dwelling houses taxed,	969	
Number of acres of land taxed,	9,372	
Number of residents taxed on property,	738	
Number of others taxed on property,	32	
Number of non-residents taxed on property,	511	
Number of all others taxed on property,	43	
Number of Poll taxes only,	227	
Total number of Taxes,	1,561	
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DECEMBER ASSESSMENT OMITTED Valuation of Personal Estate, Valuation of Real Estate,	APRII. 1ST \$450 00 21,775 00
Total Valuation, Rate of Taxation, \$30.00 per \$1,000.	\$22,225 00
Tax on Personal Estate,	\$13 50
Tax on Real Estate,	653 25
Total Tax,	\$666 75

JOHN R. MONKS. BRIGGS CUSHMAN, Assessors of Kingston

WALTER H. FAUNCE,

# FREDERIC C. ADAMS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## TOWN APPROPRIATION

Since 1901 it has been the custom of the Town Treasurer to pay to the Library Trustees, the full amount appropriated. This practice was discontinued in August, 1926, since which time all bills chargeable to the Library Appropriation have been presented to the Selectmen for approval and paid on warrants by the Town Treasurer. While the full amount appropriated by the Town for Library purposes during the year 1926 has been expended but \$946.86 was paid over to the Library Treasurer by the Town Treasurer. That amount is accounted for as follows:

1'and		
Librarian,	\$420 00	
Janitor,	\$140 00	
For Fuel and Lighting,	200 41	
For Repairs, For Treasurer's Bond,	2 60	
For Binding Books.	50 00	
For Flag Pole and Flag,	104 85	
- 1 mg role and ring,	29 00	40.14.02
		\$946-86

INCOME OF ROSA A Jan. 1, 1926, balance on hand, Income for the year,	COLE FUND \$131 17 271 02		
Paid		\$402	19
Treasurer, salary for 1926,	\$50 00		
Town Treasurer, refund,	12 42		
Balance on hand,	339 77		
		\$402	19

The Rosa A. Cole Fund stands invested as follows: \$1,000, Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co., 5% bond, due 1937.

\$1,000, Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Co., 41/2% bond, due 1932.

\$1,000, Scattle Electric Co., 5% bond, due 1929.

\$1,000, Southern California Edison Co., 5% bond, due 1939.

\$1,000, The United States of America, Second Liberty Loan, Converted, 41/4 % Gold bond of 1927-42.

\$135.20 on deposit in the Rockland Savings Bank,

#### INCOME OF BYRON C. QUIMBY FUND

Jan. 1, 1926, balance on hand, \$386 21
Income for the year, 10 61
\$396 82

This fund is on deposit in the Plymouth Savings Bank.

### INCOME OF ANNIE C. THOMAS FUND

Jan. 1, 1926, balance on hand, S42 50
Income for the year, 73 82
S116 32

The Annie C. Thomas Fund stands invested as follows: \$1,000, The United States of America, Second Liberty Loan, Converted, 41/4% Gold bond of 1927-42.

\$129.70 on deposit in the Fairhaven Institution for Savings.

INCOME OF F. C.	ADAMS FUND		
Jan. 1, 1926, balance on hand,	\$6,786 33		
Income for the year,	910 00		
•		\$7,696	33
Paid for books, magazines, etc.	, \$500 40		
Balance on hand,	7,195 93		
		\$7,696	33

#### CHANGES IN THE FUND

Aug. 6, 1926, by the use of two fractional Rights owned, and the purchase of four fractional Rights at the cost of \$27.08, subscribed for one new share of stock in the American Telephone & Telegraph Company at \$100 and the amount on deposit in the Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank was decreased \$127.08.

And with these changes the F. C. Adams Fund stands invested as follows:

- 3 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
- 6 shares Boston Elevated Railway Co., common stock.
- 1 share Boston Elevated Railway Co., preferred stock.
- 6 shares Boston Elevated Railway Co., second preferred stock.
- 2 shares Old Colony National Bank, Plymouth, Mass.
- 28 shares Plymouth Cordage Co.
- 8 shares Plymouth National Bank, Plymouth, Mass.
- \$500, Atchison. Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., 4% general mortgage bond, due 1995.
- \$1,000, American Telephone & Telegraph Co., 4% bond, due 1929.
- \$1,000, Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., 5% bond, due 1942.
- \$1,000, Rio Grande Western Railway Co., 4% bond, due 1939.
- \$1,000 on deposit in the New Bedford Five Cents Savings Bank.

\$713.14 on deposit in	the Plymouth Five Cents Sav-
ings Bank.	and the Carolinea Bank
\$447.11 on deposit in	the South Scituate Savings Bank.
\$1,000 on deposit in	the Whitman Savings Bank.

During the year fines to the amount of \$60.07 were collected by the Librarian and paid to the Town Treasurer.

HENRY L. BARKER, Treasurer.

January 27, 1927.

### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT 1926

Paid Treasurer F. C. Adams Public Library from Fines:

\$38 27 Sept. 28, 21 80 Dec. 31. \$60 07 11.431 Number books in the Library, 131 Added the past year, (of which 13 replace worn out copies) 33 Number of magazines. 12 Number of weeklies, Number of dailies, 3,830 Total attendance in reading room, 12.5 Average attendance per day. 9,855 Total circulation of books, 32 +Average circulation per day, Total circulation by classes as follows: 12 Genealogy, 14 Philosophy, 16 Religion, 104 Sociology and Education, 75 Science. 80 Useful arts, 152 Fine arts. 229 Literature and Philology.

History,	. * .	107
Travel.	:	273
Biography,		290
Magazines, single, 107; bound, 3,		110
Fiction,		8,393
MRS. JENNIE F. McLAUTHLI	N. Librai	rian.

Since the new system of accounting was adopted by the Town bills totalling \$590.56 have been sent to the Town Accountant for approval by the Selectmen, and payment by the Town Treasurer.

### GIFTS, 1926

Books donated by Rev. Mr. Hussey, Edward S. Howe, Charles W. Welsh and the Rev. Mr. Alger. A portrait of Miss Martha Sever was presented by Mr. Amassa E. Lincoln on behalf of Martha Sever Post, No. 154, G. A. R., of Kingston, and a duplicate letter from John Adams to Hon. William Sever, dated Oct. 2, 1775, was donated by Richard Hale of Boston.

F. RUSSELL ADAMS, HARVEY A. SOULE, GEORGE W. ADAMS, ARTHUR W. PIERCE, FRANK W. MAGLATHLIN, HENRY L. BARKER,

Trustees.

# REPORT OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The committee appointed to make plans for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Kingston found it best to plan to have the main features of the celebration in the late summer rather than in June, on account of the work on the Community House, and as a result we have three pleasant occasions to remember instead of one.

At the time of the actual anniversary in June, the day was observed by a community gathering on the playground, on Sunday afternoon, June 27th. The day was perfect, the attendance was large, and the whole spirit of the occasion was happy and free. The program consisted of an oration by the Honorable Herbert Parker, music by the Pilgrim Band assisted by Miss Theresa Sprague of Brockton, and community singing led by the band. At the close of the exercises the people were given a welcome opportunity to express their feelings in three rousing cheers for Mr. Edgar Reed of Worcester, donor of the Community House.

The principal program of the celebration was carried out on August 20th and 21st. It began with an excellent parade on Friday morning in which many fine floats were furnished by various social and industrial organizations, and merchants of the town, generously assisted by several of the neighboring towns.

At half past two the people of the town, with many former residents and visitors from other towns, gathered on the playground to listen to the exercises of the day. On the speaker's stand with Mr. Alexander Holmes, president of the day, were Governor Alvan T. Fuller, Lieutenant-Governor Frank T. Allen, Senator William

M. Butler and many other state officials who made short addresses, Senator Butler reading a message of congratulation to the Town from President Coolidge. The orator of the day was Ex-Governor Channing H. Cox.

Music was furnished by the Pilgrim Band, Lawrence Bailey, representing the younger generation of the town, made a little speech expressing their appreciation and gratitude for the Community House.

A pageant was given on the Bradford House grounds immediately after the exercises on the playground which represented the history of the house and its successive occupants during the two hundred and fifty-two years since it was built by Major John Bradford on land which had belonged to his grandfather, Governor William Bradford.

A Colonial Ball was held in the Community House on Friday evening. Although the building was unfinished it was beautifully decorated and specially lighted, and the pleasure of the evening was greatly enhanced by the joy of gathering for the first time in this building which is to mean so much in the future life of the town. Many very beautiful colonial costumes were worn making the ball a brilliant spectacle.

Saturday's program consisted of three ball games on the playground followed at half past four by a repetition of the Bradford House Pageant, and closing in the evening with a band concert and fireworks on the playground where it was estimated that the attendance was at least ten thousand.

Three exhibits of great interest were open during the week, free of charge, which were enjoyed by great numbers of visitors.

An historical exhibit, in charge of Mrs. George H. Wilson, was held in the old "Spencer Cushman house" on Main Street, which was literally filled with beautiful or useful objects of historic interest which were collected in the town by Mrs. Wilson and most effectively displayed, the fine old house, which was loaned for the occasion by

Mrs. James Hall, making a perfect setting for the exhibit.

Mrs. Archer O'Reilley collected and arranged in the old primary school building a fascinating marine exhibit, full of the atmosphere of the days when shipping was the town's chief industry.

Major George F. Sever was in charge of an industrial exhibit held in the Town Hall where the industrial organizations of the present day were invited to exhibit their products. The invitation was so generally accepted that both the upper and lower halls were filled with well arranged and interesting exhibits.

"Ye Olde Store", kept originally by Mr. Joseph Holmes, the ship builder, in the house at the corner of Main and Elm Streets, was reopened by Miss Emily Drew, with the traditional stock of an old country store, making another picture of life in the earlier days of the town.

Two books were published in connection with the celebration. "Ships of Kingston", written by Henry M. Jones, is a beautifully bound and illustrated volume giving an account of the shipbuilders of Kingston, and the ships built and launched here, with many interesting incidents in their life histories, and correspondence between shipmasters and shipowners. Nothing could bring back more vividly that which was the central interest of the life of Kingston during the greater part of the nineteenth century—a life now completely gone from the town.

The second book, entitled "The Civic Progress of Kingston and a History of Her Industries," simply gathered together for the occasion the most important steps in the growth of Kingston from the pioneer hamlet of 1726 to the New England village of 1926, and gave an account of the industries which have been carried on in the town. This was written by Miss Emily F. Drew and Mrs. Sarah Y. Bailey.

A splendid spirit of cooperation prevailed throughout the town and Captain Fred L. Bailey, chairman of the

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Celebration Committee wishes to express his thanks and appreciation to all who helped to make the celebration an unqualified success.

The third great event of this anniversary year took place in the completed Community House on December 20th when two great gifts were presented to the town and accepted by Mr. Walter H. Faunce, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, in behalf of the town.

Mr. Edgar Reed presented the beautiful Community House in the name of himself and his wife; a wonderful gift, carefully planned and beautifully carried out in every detail.

Captain Fred L. Bailey, chairman of the Playground Committee, presented the Playground, the result of the untiring labors of this committee for four years, most loyally aided and supported by citizens and friends of the town. Seldom has a town of the size of Kingston had two such gifts presented to it in commemoration of its two hundredth anniversary.

> Respectfully submitted, SARAH Y. BAILEY, Secretary.

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Treasurer's Report of Funds Appropriated for the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Kingston, Mass. 1926

	Debit	Credit
Appropriation of 1925 brought		
forward,	\$500 00	
Appropriation of March 1926,	5,000 00	
Appropriation of July 1926,	2,000 00	
Expenditures:		
On Account of:		
Ball,		Ş516 30
Parade,		299 90
Historical Book,		1,918 41
Medals,		559 87

Music,

Postage, etc.,			13	60
Band Stand,		٠.٠	255	80
Fireworks,		-	400	00
Athletics,			215	_
Marking Buildings,	-			00
Photographs,				44
Decorations,			451	
Exhibits,			419	39
Misc. Expenses: Insurance,				
Labor, Electric Lighting,				
Printing, Rent-Headquar-				
ters, etc.,			674	03
	\$7,500	00	\$6,972	19
Unexpended from Appropriations,			527	
	\$7,500	00	\$7,500	00
Reconciliation		00	<b>\$1,000</b>	~~
			6.972	10
Total Cost of Observances as above	e,		0,012	10
Cash paid into Town Treasurer				
from the following sources:				
June 30, on account of sale of				
History Books,	\$200	00		
July 12, on account of sale of				
History Books,	77	00		
Sept. 17, on account of sale of				
History Books,	360	30		
Dec. 24, on account of sale of				
History Books,	51	00		
July 12, on account of sale of				,
Medals and Badges,	303	50		
Sept. 8, on account of sale of	000	00	-	
Medals and Badges,	215	50		
Aug. 25, on account of sale of	- 219	00		
Ball Tickets,	500	00		
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Actual Cost to Town,			\$5,261	
. H. GE	O. KITE	, Tı	'easurer	

#### "KINGSTON WORLD WAR MEMORIAL"

The selection of a suitable memorial without exceeding the amount appropriated for the purpose proved a difficult task as did also the selection of a proper location on which to erect it.

These matters are, however, history now and our one hope is that the memorial as erected on the "Triangle" at Pawtuxet Hill proves pleasing to the townspeople as regards design, workmanship and location.

The memorial consists of three panels of the finest Westerly granite mounted on a Deer Island granite base. A bronze plate sets into the central panel, bearing the names of the 132 men and women of Kingston who "entered the service" during the World War. Above the plate bearing the names is a bronze decorative medallion eight inches in diameter.

The granite work is a product of Deacon Bros. Monument Co. of Plymouth. The bronze plates were designed and east by T. F. McGann Co. of Boston.

The committee feels the dedication should be an out of door observance, conducted at or near the memorial. During the winter months this would not be advisable therefore arrangements are being made for such an occasion, at the memorial, and following the Memorial Day service at the Town Green, May 30th next.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. BRYANT, DR. HARRY G. BRIGGS, GEORGE E. FOGG, WINTHROP D. FORD, ALBERT H. HOLMES.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

A system of covering in has been worked out between Kingston and our adjourning towns, the best of feeling for cooperation exists.

Hydrant markers have been placed at points about town where the snow drifts badly, also at Rocky Nook Park.

We have responded to several out of town calls and hope our efforts were appreciated.

A very decided improvement is noticed in our water pressure due to the pipe cleaning and I hope the good work continues.

One matter that would save much expense to the town could be corrected if the people would clean out their chimneys more often. We get many needless calls from this trouble.

We need additional hose, having no extra on hand should any of the present give out, or any occasion arise where more was needed.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. DREW, Chief.

#### REPORT ON HIGHWAYS

During the year of 1926 we built on Wapping Road 4,500 feet of permanent tar-bound macadam with several cuts and fills; all at a cost of \$15,995.54, the Town's part being about \$6,000. In finishing Wapping Road very little more cutting and filling will be necessary.

For Howland's Lane there was appropriated \$2,000 which was used for a heavy fill of gravel from railroad bridge to East Avenue, making a good foundation for a permanent road in case the town should think it advisable to built a stone road in the future. From this appropriation \$1,992.88 was used.

For Crescent and Prospect Sfrots there was appropriated \$1,000. This was used for stone, tar and labor. Crescent Street was covered with two inches of stone and 1½ gallon penetration \$999 was used. About one-half of Prospect Street was covered with four inches of stone, and penetrated, these two pieces of road should give fairly good results.

For River Street \$500 was appropriated. Same had been laid out many years but no improvements made, so we did the best we could with the money appropriated; \$496 was used.

For regular repair work \$6,000 was appropriated, and at a special meeting there was transferred from Truck Account \$1,147. Out of this appropriation a large part of the Surveyor's salary comes, also patching material, road oils, tools, gas and oil for trucks and tractor. The present year we have had to refit both trucks with tires and tubes, and as is always the case with motor vehicles more or less repairs must be made yearly. About \$2,500 has been used for patching material, oil and labor on same this year. About \$1,500 has been used on West,

Lake, and Grove Streets, and such other repairs on the other roads as appropriations would allow, \$7,127.47 being amount used, with an unpaid bill of \$87.87. There was appropriated \$500 for fencing. (This was used for wire, posts, and paint, and 1,600 feet of Page highway guard fencing placed. The labor on this was charged to the regular highway as the need for improving our fencing was so great, and \$496 was used.

At a special town meeting there was appropriated \$2,015 to buy a road grader and snow plow. The grader was bought for \$1,783.50. Two hundred dollars of this appropriation was transferred to Snow Account by State Auditors, leaving practically nothing to buy the plow. (\$31.50 unused.)

#### Recommendations:

I think it is very evident to many of our citizens that with the enormous travel over our roads and the added cost today of both for labor and material that we must appropriate more money for highways, we have been waiting for fourteen years for better conditions when the Town could consider the highways. The time is now, when we should appropriate larger sums for highways, and I have recommended for general highway work for the year 1927 the sum of \$14,000. This would include repairs and rebuilding some roads in town. I also have recommended the sum of \$8,000 to be used in conjunction with the State and County on Wapping Road and Main Street or Pembroke Street.

I hope the good citizens will consider these recommendations and agree with me that it is quite necessary to appropriate the sum recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN S. NICKERSON, Highway Surveyor.

#### FOREST FIRES

Twenty-six calls were answered by the Forest Fire Department during the fire season of 1926: The first fire being on March 29, set by the 8.47 a.m. train, and the last one being in a rubbish pile off Evergreen Street, July 7th.

We have spent this year for fighting fires \$389.40, for new equipment \$64.00, and for supplies, \$18.57, a total expenditure of \$471.97.

We have been reimbursed by the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., \$149.00, and by the town of Pembroke \$76.50, a total reimbursement of \$225.50.

There is still due an unpaid bill of \$7.50 for assistance in extinguishing a permit brush fire that got beyond control.

I will again call attention to the law requiring that a written permit be in the possession of every one desiring to start a fire in the open air, between the first day of March and the first day of December.

From March 5, 1926, to November 28, 1926, one hundred and seventy permits were issued.

Attention is also called to the law relative to the disposal of slash and brush,

LAW RELATIVE TO THE DISPOSAL OF SLASH AND BRUSH CHAP, 48 — GENERAL LAWS

SECTION 16. Every owner, lessee, tenant or occupant of lands or of any rights or interests therein, except electric, telephone and telegraph companies, who cuts or per-

mits the cutting of brush, wood or timber on lands which border upon woodland, or upon a highway or railroad location, shall dispose of the slash caused by such cutting in such a manner that the same will not remain on the ground within forty feet of any woodland, highway or railroad location.

Another matter which is of considerable importance is the fact that many of the old woods roads are now so grown up with brush that it is difficult to get through them, and an appropriation should be voted for the purpose of trimming out some of them this year.

ROLAND BAILEY, Forest Warden.

#### REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

As there has never been a report of the Police Department sent in direct from headquarters perhaps the citizens of Kingston would be interested to know something of what is being done. This is work done by your chief as no report has been kept of work done by the other officers.

During the year 1926 I have made 24 arrests for drunkenness, driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor and disturbing the peace; and 2 arrests of violently insune persons, who were committed to the State Hospital at Taunton.

I found homes for several stray dogs and killed 6 dogs that had no owners or were vicious.

I have had 210 recorded calls out of different kinds, anything from settling family troubles to investigating all sorts of crimes or imaginary crimes, besides many telephone and personal calls of which I have no record, also a lot of correspondence, auto papers and clerical work.

In most towns and cities there is one policeman to every 600 inhabitants and they do eight hours duty and have the other sixteen off, while in Kingston an officer is on duty twenty-four hours a day. A constable is often called upon to be judge and jury on the spot and it is absolutely necessary to exercise tact and diplomacy. Day after day one is called upon to solve some problem in human life and seldom two alike. Many of the "calls out" mean an all day or night job before being settled and sometimes a half dozen or more trips to Plymouth before proper settlement.

Every year sees more of these calls but it does not necessarily mean that crime is on the increase in Kingston.

There have been quite a number of petty breaks the last few years in town, but thanks to cooperation with State constabulary and State detectives this matter is being handled more efficiently than before, however, I would like to see an appropriation that will allow for the services of a night officer for at least a part of the year.

I hope to see the town raise \$2,500 for crime for 1927 and respectfully request that sum be recommended by you.

During the past year we have lost one who has been an officer of the town for many years and a constable since 1916. He made a good officer and was one who had a host of friends in this as well as in the surrounding towns, Louis F. Bartz, who passed out while on duty May 30, 1926.

In June James B. Cameron was appointed constable to fill out the year and he is doing good work, as are other officers of the department.

HOWARD L. RUSHTON, Chief of Police.

#### WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

The receipts from water takers in 1926 were \$13,054.08. Five new hydrants have been set and thirty-one new services have been added during the past year, making a total of 875. Extensions of main pine have been made at Home Park and on Wapping Road. The grading down of the highway at the Landing Road entrance to the Playground left the pipe there dangerously near the surface and about 200 feet of it has been lowered to a safe level. About two miles of pipe were cleaned internally in 1926. More of it needs attention but the cost of reservoir repairs and the substituting six inch pipe for four inch beyond Tura's store, if that is authorized at the March meeting, may cause a postponement of pipe cleaning for the present year. Edgar A Baker resigned as Collector of Water Rates, after many years of faithful service, and Briggs Cushman has been appointed to the position.

Regarding the reservoir, its present condition though not at all dangerous is unsatisfactory. It looks badly on the outside of the wall but the inside appears perfectly sound and smooth. It has been spoken of in public as "a rotten job" and in view of such remarks we think the people of the town may be interested to learn why the outside of the wall has crumbled and flaked off, and what is proposed to be done about it,

The leakage is not enough to create the slightest stream anywhere but it does keep the outer surface damp in places and the freezing of this moisture under the surface causes the crumbling and flaking which, if allowed to continue, would in time destroy the wall. Since the damage to the reservoir wall by freezing has come to our attention the water level has been kept below the surface of the ground during the winter months, thus avoiding further damage from this source.

More than a year ago the flaking of the wall was noticed and our first move was to inquire about the quality of the cement used, it having been the product of the Atlas Portland Cement Co., and bought from them. They sent their consulting engineer to investigate and his report convinced us that it was not the fault of the cement but that too much water in the mixture was the chief cause of the trouble.

The Portland Cement Association, a national organization to improve and extend the uses of concrete, sent their district engineer to us, free of expense, and his report gave us further information, also the addresses of several parties whose business it is to make concrete walls waterproof.

Following their advice we have invited these parties to examine the reservoir and to estimate the cost of waterproofing. Three of them have done this and now stand ready to make a contract for doing the work as early in the coming spring as the weather will permit.

To those who may criticise the course taken by the Water Gommissioners whereby it was decided to have the reservoir reconstruction and extension done wholly by day work instead of on a contract, we will say that we believe this is only natural and possibly justified, although there will never be any way to settle definitely on this latter point.

At the start we expected to employ engineering services and to have plans and specifications drawn up for doing the work under contract, and with a guarantee, and it was only after long deliberation that we decided on day work. Some advisers claimed that it was difficult, if not impossible, to construct a concrete wall that would not show at least a few porous spots when under water pressure unless some sort of waterproofing material was applied after it was built, and also that these spots might not show up for some years afterwards. Thus it seems

that a guarantee attached to a contract might not result in the desired protection, and that the proper course to pursue was one that would tend to produce the very highest quality of work.

We were finally led to believe that with the best of material and with the best of care in construction, avoiding the usually troublesome joints by continuous pouring, night and day, a watertight wall could be produced without the extra expense of waterproofing. We sought advice both in and outside of Kingston and practically all agreed that the proposition we finally accepted seemed to be the most advisable.

We naturally favored patronizing a local party if possible and discussed the work with two local men that were in a position to handle a job of this nature. Neither of them was interested in doing the work on a day basis and at the same time agree to give the job his undivided attention. The man that we placed in charge of the entire construction did agree to do this, and to take up no other work while ours was under way, his entire compensation to be computed on a day basis at a figure that we considered favorable to the town. He also agreed to attend to all the details of design of every nature. With this arrangement the construction was carried through to completion in a manner satisfactory to us with the exception that the wall has not proven to be water tight.

As our idea was, first, to get the best possible job, and second, to get it at as low a cost as possible, we feel that the course we adopted was justifiable. While we are now confronted with the extra expense of waterproofing, there is a possibility that even after this is added to present cost the total will not be in excess of what the cost would have been under contract after adding in the bill for engineering services, for drawing up plans and specifications, and for inspection, and for contractor's profits. With our method all materials were bought direct by the town at close prices, and most of the wages went to townspeople.

In the course of our inquiries and correspondence during the past year we have learned of several towns that have in recent years built concrete standpines, or reservoirs, and have been up against the same trouble as ours, some of them being of a more serious nature. Middleboro has one that was built according to specifications prepared by as good engineering talent as money could procure. The sand was all washed, all shipments of cement subjected to laboratory tests, and every step in its construction was under the eyes of an expert inspector. They experienced no trouble for some years and seem to have fared better than others we have heard from. However, we have a letter from the Water Department of that town, in reply to our inquiry, stating that there is now a scepage in the joints which appears to be increasing gradually and that they are waiting for suggestions from the Portland Cement Association preliminary to an attempt to stop this seepage in the near future.

We shall endeavor to learn more about the subject, and we expect to bring it up at the March meeting with an estimate of cost of waterproofing and repairing our reservoir wall.

> CHARLES H. DREW, WINTHROP D. FORD, CLINTON T. KEITH, Water Commissioners.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

# Town of Kingston

For the Year Ending December 31

1926

#### 1927

#### SCHOOL DIRECTORY

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Henry T. Sturtevant, Chairman,	Term	expires	1928
*Roland S. Bailey, Secretary,	Term	expires	1927
Fred G. Brackett,	Term	expires	1927
Mary L. Trow,		expires	
Ruth H. Bailey,		expires	
Jacob Dries,	Term	expires	1929

\* Appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harold G. Kite,

The committee meets at the School Department Office at 7.45 P. M., on the third Tuesday of each month.

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

John H. Parker—Residence, Kingston, Mass.; office hours 8-9 A. M., on school days.

Carrie Dunbar Holmes, Clerk; office hours 9 A. M.-5 P. M., on school days.

School Department; office, High School Building, Main Street.

#### STAFF

Lee S. Merrill, A.B., Bates College, Principal, High.

Emery S. Loud, B.Sc., Mass. Agricultural College, High.

Lucy E. Treat, A.B., Colby College, High.

Elsie A. Cowles, Ph.D., Brown University, High.

Dorothy W. Oliver, Burdett College, High.

Helen B. Cushing, Bridgewater Normal School, 8-A, Junior High.

Hazel W. Damon, A.B., Tufts College, 8-B, Junior High. Isabelle K. Daley, Bridgewater Normal School, 7, Junior High Gertrude E. Hunter, Framingham Normal School, 6, High School Building.

Elva L. Browne, Concord High, Maple Avenue,

Florence Blume, Hyannis Normal School, Maple Avenue. Ruth E. Jacobs, Hyannis Normal School, Patuxet.

Adeline M. Keevey, Abington High, Cobb.

Mary A. Curran, Bridgewater Normal School, Cobb.

Rose B. Delano, Millsbury, N. Y., Cobb.

Caroline L. Simmons, Hyannis Normal School, Cobb. Elspeth Hardy, Salem Normal School, Howland's Lane. Ethel Henderson, Bridgewater Normal School, Howland's

Lane.
May Blair McClosky, Music and Drawing.
H. G. Briggs, M.D., School Physician.
Emma J. Mange, School Nurse.

#### CALENDAR 1927 - 1928

Winter Term-

Beginning Monday, January 3, eleven weeks, ends Friday, March 18. Vacation one week.

Spring Term-

Begins Monday, March 28, ends Wednesday, June 15. High School Graduation, Wednesday evening, June 15. Fall Term—

Begins Wednesday, September 7, sixteen weeks, ends December 23, at noon.

Winter Term 1928-

Begins Monday, January 2, 1928.

Signals for No Sessions of Schools

8 A. M.—2-2 repeated: No session for all schools.

Holidays During Term Time in 1927

Columbus Day, Wednesday, October 12.

Teachers' Convention.

Thanksgiving Recess, November, noon the 23rd to Monday the 28th.

Washington's Birthday, Tuesday, February 22. Patriot's Day, Tuesday, April 19.

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30.

### REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

It should be highly gratifying to the citizens of Kingston to know that their schools are making progress. The committee has endeavored to apply appropriations wisely and economically. Trained and experienced teachers for the most part have been employed and they have done excellent work.

The Patuxet and Howland's Lane schools are in first class condition, both inside and out. The Cobb and Maple Avenue schools are in good condition outside, but we feel that the inside should be refinished.

The High School is in very good condition, except the grounds which should be regraded in front of the building. A new heavy wire fence should be placed around the lot. The fence next the Mr. Holmes' estate is entirely gone, and the one next to Mr. Hathaway's property is in very bad condition.

Your committee feel that a special appropriation should be made to build a fence and grade the lawn.

The new addition to the High School is a big asset to the town, and greatly appreciated by all who are connected with the schools of Kingston. A first class lunch room has been added to the basement, at a small cost.

After considerable thought and study we have been able to give to the pupils in the lower grades better accommodations, and thus close three one-room buildings. By the untiring work of Mr. Parker, the schools have been regraded, as will be outlined in this report. This is regarded as a step towards progress.

The matter of transportation is a great item. By a law recently passed, we are now able to make a contract for three years. We feel that the children are well protected, riding in warm, well ventilated busses.

The appropriation asked for this year gave us no margin. Things are liable to arise over which we have no control, which shows by our unexpended balance. The committee recommends that the sum of \$42,500 be appropriated for school purposes for the year 1927 to be expended as follows:

#### PROPOSED BUDGET

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General E	xpenses	
School Committee, salary,		
School Committee, expense,		
Superintendent, salary,	•	
Superintendent, expense,	:	
Clerk, salary,		
Telephone, stationery, light,		\$1,903 00
Expense of I	nstruction	
Teachers' salaries,	\$24,550 00	-
Supervisors' salaries,	1,000 00	
Text books,	1,250 00	
Supplies,	1,250 00	
Miscellaneous,	100 00	
	<u>·</u>	28,150 00
Operation and	Maintenance	
Janitors' wages,	\$2,388 00	
Janitors' supplies,	100 00	
Fuel,	2,700 .00	
Repairs,	1,000 00	

	Auxiliaries A	gencies	
Health:			
Nurse, salary and	expense.	\$850 00	
School Physician,	•	150 00	
Dental Clinic,		150 00	
Transportation,		4,200 00	
Insurance,		500 00	
Census,		<b>▶</b> 50 00	
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Superintendent, s	olovy	29 53	
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Expense of Instruct	ion :	242 66	
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Text books,	·.	23,011 00	
Stationery, suppli	ne and with	919 21	
Operation and Main	es ana mise., tanàna	1,440 67	
Janitors' wages,	contince:	0.44= 00	
Fuel,		2,445 00	
Miscellaneous,		2,413 19	
Repairs,		111 29	
		1,186 42	

Auxiliary Agencies:	
Health-	
School Physician, 150 00	
Dental clinic, 150 00	- · · · · ·
Nurse, salary and expense, 706 80	
Transportation, 4,247 50	
Tuition	
Boston Trade School for Girls, 196 90	
Sundries, 214 22	
Outlay:	
New equipment, 205 60	
Unexpended balance, 3 50	
	\$40,181 66
Reimbursements from the State	
Tuition of State Wards,	\$199 45
General School Fund, Part 1,	3,214 87
Superintendents'salary,	730 66
Total,	\$4,144 98

#### ADAMS LECTURE FUND 1926

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"	15,	14	Memorial Press,	11				:50
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School Committee.

#### SPECIAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

December 26, 1926.

August 8, 1926

To the Citizens of Kingston:

March 23, 1926

The following is the report of the Special Building Committee in charge of the Kingston High School Addition. The committee has held twelve meetings on the following dates:

March 28, 1926	August 30, 1926
April 3, 1926	September 28, 1926
May 1, 1926	October 5, 1926
May 21, 1926	November 17, 1926
June 29, 1926	December 26, 1926
Operations were begun	in the last week in April and
	for occupancy when school
opened Wednesday, Septen	

Financial Stater	nent			
Chester M. Sampson:				
General Carpentry Contract, \$1	17,900	00		
Extra for sky-lights and rein-				
forcement in old wall,	164	25		
Total,			\$18,064	2
Frank A. Sampson:				
General Plumbing, Heating				
and Ventilating Contract,	\$5,000	00		
Extra for two toilets, piping				
and connecting chemical				
laboratory,	425	05		
Total, —			5,425	08
J. Malaguti & Sons:			•	
General Masonry Contract, §	36,175	00		
Extra for alterations in old				
basement,	60	00		
Kalsomining and Finishing,	325 -	00		•
Total, —	<u> </u>	·	6,560	00

Frank A. Dawes:			
Painting Contract,	\$590 00		
Extra for corridor walls,	74 75		
Total,		664	75
L. S. Merrill, 11 weeks supervi	sing,	550	
Delano & Keith, blue prints,			00
Plymouth Cordage Co., blue pa			60
Gilda Longinotti, assistance or	ı drawings,	25	00
G. E. Bailey, labor, watching a	nd cleaning,	89	00
J. E. Childs, window shades,		140	00
The Theodore Kundtz Co., 105	pupils desks		
and chairs,		1,107	75
Ryan and Buker:			
240 Folding chairs, 15 pupils	desk-chairs,		
1 bookkeeping cabinet, 1 v	vicker couch,		
4 feachers desks, 1 office			
desk, 2 office tables, 10			
drawing tables, 3 teachers el	nairs,	1,629	50
Willard L. Murray, electrical w	ork,	444	40
Total expenditures,	\$3	1,702	30
Unexpended,	ŕ	297	
Appropriation,	\$80	5,000	00

HENRY T. STURTEVANT, Chairman, C. W. LEACH, H. G. KITE, JOHN H. PARKER.

Building Committee.

The new High School addition was dedicated on Monday evening, October 4th, and a very large and enthusiastic audience was present.

The dedicatory address was delivered by Hon. Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education. The program follows:

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1.—"Praise Ye The Father" Gounod
High School Chorus

#### 2.—Presentation of Keys

- (a) Mr. Charles W. Leach, Member of the Building Committee
- (b) Acceptance for the Town, Mr. Henry T. Sturtevant, Chairman of the School Committee
- 3.—"Pilgrim Chorus" (from Tannhauser), Wagner Glee Club
- 4.—Items of Interest

Mr. H. George Kite,

Secretary of the School Committee

5.—Remarks

6.-Address

Hon. Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education

7.—(a) "Butterflies", Mildenberg
(b) "Goodnight, Goodnight Beloved", Pinsuti

8.—America

- Inspection of Building -

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1926

In submitting the following report covering the operations of the schools for the fiscal year ending December 21, 1926, I wish to express my appreciation to the citizens and School Committee for the liberal manner in which they have followed out my suggestions in the last year's school report, especially in relation to improvement in housing conditions. At the time the report was submitted last year, I did not make recommendations, but covered the question by merely suggesting a way to improve the school plant, and the town, at the March meeting, appropriated \$35,000 to carry out the plans which were recommended by a committee appointed at the 1924 Town Meeting. A detailed report of the building committee will be found elsewhere under this cover, but I wish to state at this time the general condition of the school plant.

It is as follows:

The Kingston High School building, in arrangement and availability for high school purposes is without doubt one of the best in this section of the state. In this respect it will not be even surpassed by some of the new brick buildings in the nearby towns, for the arrangement of the rooms, the lighting, heating and ventilating, leave scarcely anything to be desired, and the town should be proud of the building.

The Cobb School, as I stated in my report of last year, is a first class building. The heating plant, however, is not as effective or economical as it should be. I believe the town should, in the near future, make an appropriation to improve the heating and ventilating of this building.

The Howland's Lane School was thoroughly renovated on the inside during the summer, and is in fine condition.

The Patuxet School was thoroughly repaired and painted on the outside and the inside renovated throughout with paint and kalsomine.

Nothing but minor repairs were made at the Maple Avenue School. This building should have some painting and kalsomining done in 1927.

The opening of the new High School addition permitted the temporary abandonment of the three remaining unsanitary one-room buildings, namely the Stony Brook, the Faunce and the Rocky Nook buildings. Not only has this change improved the health conditions in the schools, but is a distinct advantage from an educational standpoint, in that our schools are now much better graded. No room in the Cobb or Howland's Lane buildings houses more than one grade, and there are in the whole town but two rooms with more than one grade, the room at the Patuxet, a mixed first and second, and one room at Maple Avenue, a mixed third and fourth.

The quality of work done under this condition will eventually be much higher than could be secured where there are three or four grades in a room.

The High School, as now organized, presents improved opportunities for the larger number of pupils attending the seventh and eighth grades. It is our intention to gradually arrange the courses in such a way as to make the transition from the eighth to the ninth grade, easier.

The resources of the town will not, at present, permit the establishment of a regular Junior High School course, as such a step would involve the employment of at least two more teachers. I hope, however, the day is not far distant when such a move can be made without being a burden to the town. The schools of Kingston are being conducted on a comparatively small budget and I would draw the attention of the citizens to the following table of comparisons. This table shows the total expenditures

and the expenditure per pupil and the valuation of the towns in this Union Superintendency, and also what the schools of Kingston would cost, were they operated on the same per pupil cost as the other towns of this district.

TABLE					
£ _ : \ - =	Valuation	Budget	Enrolled	Per Pupil Cost	
Kingston	\$3,065,777	\$40,000	542	\$73.80	
Duxbury	5,506,256	42,200	326	129.00	
Pembroke	2,671,467	27,100	283	96.00	
Halifax	1,467,137	14,600	112	130.00	
Plympton	904,980	12,000	71	159.00	
Totals	\$13,615,617	\$135,900	1,337		

If Kingston spent at the same rate per capita as Duxbury, our budget would be \$69,918.00.

If Kingston spent at the same rate per capita as Pembroke, our budget would be, \$52,032.00.

If Kingston spent at the same rate per capita as Halifax, our budget would be \$70,460.00.

If Kingston spent at the same rate per capita as Plympton our budget would be \$86.178.00.

It is obvious that under the present valuation, Kingston cannot hope to expend for school facilities, as much money as some of the above towns whose valuation is proportionately four times as great as our town, on a basis of school population.

#### TEACHING STAFF

The following resignations and elections have occurred during the year:

Mr. Glen V. Butler resigned from Science and Athletics in High School and Mr. Emery S. Loud, a graduate of Massachusetts Agricultural College was elected to fill the vacancy.

Miss Elizabeth I. Taylor resigned and was succeeded by Miss Gertrude E. Hunter, a graduate of Framingham Normal School. Miss Evelyn A. Eustis, who resigned to take a position in her home town of Marblehead, was succeeded by Miss Ruth E. Jacobs, a graduate of Hyannis Normal School.

Miss Gladys Pratt resigned to take a position in Duxbury and was succeeded by Mrs. Elspeth Hardy, who had formerly served the town for a number of years as a teacher.

Miss Hazel Damon, a graduate of Jackson College, was elected to an eighth grade at High School.

In addition to the above resignations and elections, the following transfers were made:

Mrs. Helen B. Cushing, who served for a number of years as principal of the Cobb School, was transferred to the Junior Department of the High School, in charge of the eighth grade.

Miss Isabel K. Daley, who had charge of the seventh grade at Cobb School was transferred to the Junior Department at the High School in charge of the seventh grade.

Mrs. Adeline M. Keevey was transferred to the position recently held by Mrs. Cushing, and Miss Caroline L. Simmons was transferred from the Howland's Lane School to a second grade at Cobb School.

Mrs. Rose Blair Delano, on account of the closing of the Rocky Nook School, was transferred to a fourth grade at Cobb School.

Mrs. Florence M. Blume was transferred from the Patuxet to a third and fourth grade at Maple Avenue.

#### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is the outstanding problem in every small town in the state. The state law requires that all pupils living two miles or more from the school must be transported free of cost. This means a heavy draft on the school budget, because in addition to the class of pupils mentioned, the School Committee feel in duty bound, on account of the danger on the highways, to transport primary children, even though they live not more than a mile from the school. This matter of trans-

portation was gone into very thoroughly during the summer and bids were asked for by the School Committee, covering the transportation of all primary pupils living more than one mile from the school, all fourth, fifth and sixth grade pupils living one and one-half miles from the school, and all others living two or more miles from the schools. In order to do this barges are required to cover a total mileage of approximately ninety miles a day.

The following bids were received:

George B. Savery—\$5,400 per year, using Ford Trucks. John Ruprecht—\$4,800 per year, using Ford Trucks. Frederick Hird—\$3,420 per year, using Ford Trucks. Edgar W. Loring—\$3,800 per year, using Brockway Trucks.

The committee was unanimous in awarding the contract to Edgar W. Loring.

The Brockton and Plymouth Street Railway Company put in a partial bid which was not considered.

After school began it was found that a number of pupils attending High School lived more than two miles (the legal limit), from school had not been receiving transportation, as required by law. It was, therefore, necessary to define boundaries in the southern part of the town, and to transport thirty-five pupils on the street cars at an approximate cost of six hundred fifty dollars (\$650) a year.

Transportation conditions are more satisfactory now than at any time since I came to Kingston. In order to keep the cost of transportation within the prescribed limits it was necessary to put the High School, Maple Avenue and Patuxet Schools on a schedule of 8.30 A. M. to 1.30 P. M., and the Cobb and Howland's Lane Schools on a 9 A. M. to 2.45 P. M. schedule. Otherwise it would have been necessary to have an additional barge at a probable cost of eighteen hundred dollars (\$1800) a year. The present schedule is working splendidly.

#### TRANSPORTATION DATA

Town	Number of Vehicles	Type of Vehicle	Daily Mileage	Number of Pupils Trans- ported	Daily Cost	Daily Per Capita Cost	Total Yearly Cost
Kingston	2	Brockway Electric	(1) 41 (1) 24 65	57 51 103	\$10.00 \$10.00	\$0.17 \$0.19	\$3,560
<u> </u>		Cars		35 143	\$3.50	\$0.10	618 \$1,208

#### TESTING TEACHING RESULTS

During the Spring the Stanford Achievement Tests in Arithmetic were given to all pupils from the third to the eighth grades. These tests are scientifically constructed from material gathered in all parts of the country from tens of thousands of pupils, and aim to show what children of different ages in the various grades should accomplish. The results show that, in the subject of arithmetic, the pupils of Kingston are slightly above the national average. The subject for tests in 1927 will be English. The chief value of these tests is diagnostic. They give the teacher a line on not only the accomplishment of the pupil but on his failures, and are of great aid in pointing out the defects of the individual and in showing the teacher just what individual help should be given.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank the Parent-Teachers Association, the Grange and many other citizens of the town who have, by their cooperation and material assistance aided the school authorities in bringing the schools to a higher standard. I solicit their continued help.

JOHN H. PARKER, Superintendent.

#### ATTENDANCE STATISTICS 1925,1926

Pupils enrolled,	Elementary 459	High 95	Total 554
Average daily attendance,	412	90	502
Average membership	439	94	533
Percent of attendance,	96.13%	95.74%	

Census-October 1, 1926 Persons 5 years of age or over, and	Boys	Girls	Total
under 7 years. Persons 7 years of age or over, and	33	-11	74
under 14 years, Persons 14 years of age or over, and	157	170	327
under 16 years,	48	62	110
Totals,	238	273	<del></del> 511

#### ENROLLMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS, JANUARY 1, 1927

GRADE	
School 1 2 3 4 5	6 7 8 9 10,10,12 Ttl.
High—Senior	37 32 23 15 107
High—6-7-8	80 34 56
Maple Avenue	76
Cobb 25 37 21 2	18 1111
Howland's Lane , 38 34	72
Patuxet 12-26-	38
Totals 50 60 44 53 62 5	8-34-56,37,32 23,15 524

#### SENIOR AND JUNIOR HIGH REPORT

Mr. John H. Parker, Superintendent of Schools:

In this report I should like to describe briefly the new school building and show how it is being used to accommodate the newly organized Senior and Junior High School.

The basement of the building contains the heating and ventilating plant, a very attractive lunch room, and toilet rooms for boys and girls. On the first floor are four class rooms, the assembly room, and the Superintendent's office. On the second floor are four class rooms, a laboratory, a room for drawing, the Principal's office, a teacher's room, a book room, and two store rooms. Three of the class rooms on the first floor are used for the Junior High School which consists of the seventh and eighth grades. The fourth room on the first floor is used for the sixth grade. The second floor is used for the Senior High School. The laboratory and drawing room are available for use by the Junior High School.

As in the Senior High School, the work in the Junior High School is departmental so that the teachers may be assigned to the subjects they are best qualified to teach. I believe the present organization is a very satisfactory one. I think it would be difficult to find a more adequate building than the one we are using.

I am glad to report that the High School has been approved by the College Entrance Certificate Board for a period of four years or until 1930.

The activities of the school outside of the class rooms are in a flourishing condition. During the past year the athletic teams have been very successful and are on a sound financial basis. The school paper is being published three times this year instead of once, as previously. The Girl' Club is successfully carrying on the activities begun last year.

May I take this opportunity to say that visitors will always be welcome at the school?

Respectfully submitted,

LEE S. MERRILL.

#### KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION Class of 1926

Town Hall, Kingston, Wednesday June 16, At 8 o'clock

#### Program:

- 1. March
- 2. Orchestra
- 3. Invocation

Rev. L. Gordon Adamson

4. Chorus, "Pilgrim's Chorus"

Wagner

5. Conquest of the Air

Second Honor-Joseph A. Holmes

\*6. Presentation of Gifts

Anna V. Wedell

7. Chorus, "Blow Ye Gentle Breezes"

Marks

- 8. The Women Characters of Shakespeare Third Honor—Aili M. Anderson
- \*9. Class Prophecy

Gilda C. Longinotti

10. Chorus, "Butterflies"

"Goodnight, Goodnight Beloved"

Mildenberg Pinsuti

- Community Spirit, Past and Present Fourth Honor—Kathryn M. Sweeney
- 12. Orchestra
- 13. Development of Pageantry
  First Honor—Time E. Baruffaldi
- 14. Class Song

Words by Gilda C. Longinotti Music by Rae E. White

- Presentation of Diplomas
   John H. Parker, Superintendent of Schools

   Awarding of Prizes
  - Lee S. Merrill, Principal

16. Orchestra

Class Motto: Knowledge is Power Class Colors: Blue and Gold

Clarke's Orchestra-

\*To be delivered Class Night

#### Graduates:

Aili Mary Anderson Tina Elizabeth Baruffaldi Lillian Jean Carrier Edith Mary Di Stefano Louis Herbert Glass Joseph Alexander Holmes Louis Kaplan Eva Catherine Leonardi Gilda Catherine Longinotti Madeline Elizabeth McCarthy Catherine Elizabeth McManus Albert Paul Ruprecht Kathryn Marie Sweeney Hazel Parker Washburn Anna Victoria Wedell Rae Edith White Gertrude Elizabeth Wright Adams Prizes Awarded to

Aili M. Anderson Marjorie M. Bruneau Jeanette E. Phinney Gilda C. Longinotti Anna V. Wedell Edward L. Frazier Harry W. Hardy Harold T. Mahler

Joseph A. Holmes Lawrence W. Bailey

#### REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

I have assisted Dr. Briggs in the examination of the Kingston school children, which was completed Sentember 21. The work was started very early this year, making it possible for the doctor to examine nearly every child in the schools. In other years, the work having been started late, many children, owing to illness or weather conditions, were not examined. The examinations show a steady improvement in all the children. We found no impetigo or scabies, and very few cases of pediculosis. Inspection of these cases are made by the nurse every week and in that way the trouble is not allowed to spread. Fewer eye cases have been reported, and tonsil cases are less. There has been, also a marked improvement in the enlarged thyroid gland condition over last year. Much of this improvement, I believe is due to the nutrition work which is steadily growing. The children are becoming educated to the mid-morning milk served in the schools, and the parents, seeing the good results, are showing more interest in the gain or loss of weight in their children. The Parent-Teachers Association has done a great deal to help and encourage me during the past year. We have had no epidemic of contagion. Two cases of Mumps, two of German Measles, six of Chicken Pox and fifteen of Whooping Cough have been reported during the year. Ten Tonsil cases have been operated upon at the Jordan Hospital Clinic during the past year, many of these cases being done during the summer vacation. A third grade child had a tumor removed from the lower jaw at the Forsythe Dental Clinic. Two children were taken to South Hanson for examination. One girl is still there under treatment and is gaining each week. Measuring and weighing have been done

four times during the school year. A Dental Hygenic Nurse worked in the schools from January to March 5th and a large percent of the children had their teeth cleaned. Many people have given clothing for children whom I have found needy, that they may be in school. The Red Cross have given several pair of mittens which I give out as needed. The truancy work brings me in touch with many needy cases. All schools are visited twice each week, and home calls are made according to the teachers' report as to absentees, in that way our attendance has been much improved. The teachers are very helpful and carry on the health work with interest. I appreciate the cooperation of the Superintendent, School Committee, Board of Health, Red Cross, Parent-Teachers Association, Teachers and Parents.

Respectfully submitted, EMMA J. MANGE, School Nurse.

#### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the School Committee:

The examinations have shown a gradual improvement in most conditions, and with proper and intelligent education along certain lines a further improvement will be noted.

The cases of pediculosis are not entirely controlled or extinct but are showing a decrease due to the cooperation between pupils, parents, teachers and school nurse, and we hope that eventually they will be no more.

Throat examinations continue to show improvement. This is due in a large part to the activity of the school nurse, who made arrangements for tonsillectomies in the severer cases. Some cases which showed enlarged tonsils last year, show an improvement this year.

The postures this year were not quite up to the standard of last year, but the reason, I believe, is due to the fact that the examinations this year were made shortly after the schools opened and the teachers did not have time to remedy a condition which summer vacations are not apt to help. I have no doubt but what the postures, at the time of this writing, would show an improvement over those of last year at the same time.

There were several new cases of enlarged thyroid glands. The secretion of this gland is of great import to the body and any malfunctioning of it should not be neglected.

There has been no epidemic of contagion as yet. With proper conformance to the State Law these cases can be kept at a minimum.

I wish to thank pupils, parents, teachers, school nurse and all others who have cooperated in elevating the general physical condition of the scholars.

> Respectfully submitted, H.G.BRIGGS, M. D.

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC AND DRAWING

#### MUSIC

The program for music is about the same as last year, with the advantage, however, of having the seventh and eighth grades assembled at the High School. There we have the use of an assembly half with a piano, which is distinctly an advantage. This has made it possible for Mrs. Cushing to take charge of the entire Junior High School, and fine progress is the result.

Work in the High School this year shows decided improvement in reading, which is proof, in itself of good work accomplished in the grades through cooperation of the teachers.

#### DRAWING

Progress has been made this year, along the line of free hand drawing and sketching, both from still life and nature, with results showing unusual talent on the part of many students. Several of these are in the High School, showing not only an ability to draw well, but originality. It would seem advisable that these be encouraged to further this talent in the future.

The grades are following the usual plan for free hand and sketching, also some copying in pencil and colors.

Respectfully submitted,

MAY BLAIR McCLOSKY,

Supervisor of Music and Drawing.

### HONOR ROLL

## Pupils Neither Absent Nor Tardy, 1925-1926

#### HIGH Jeanette Phinney Evelyn Rogerson Charles Richter Louis Gallerani

MAPLE AVENUE Eleanor Chandler Lois Dean Arlene Knight

#### FAUNCE William Hathaway

COBB
Flora Balboni
Harriet Havey
Louise Reidenbach
Emelio Diozzi
Dorothy Bonney
Walter Richter
Eleanor Rogerson
Arthur Basler
Harold Alberghini
Daniel Pimental
Ella Bernagozzi

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